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TEENS CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED ARSON

SUFFOLK, VA (June 1, 2010) Two 15-year-olds were charged with attempted arson at Nansemond River High School this morning. The female students are alleged to have lit paper on fire and then placed the burning paper into a locker. The fire was quickly extinguished. There was no damage or injuries.

The school was evacuated for a short time while Suffolk Fire and Rescue responded. The incident was investigated by the Suffolk Fire Marshal's Office. Both youth were taken into custody, charged with one count of attempted arson each and later released to their parents.

"In compliance with Suffolk School Board policy, the students have been suspended with recommendations for expulsion," advised Bethanne Bradshaw, Public Information Officer for Suffolk Public Schools.

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