



# Arroyo Grande Police Department

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**\*\*\* Burglary Investigation - Seven Arroyo Grande High School Students \*\*\***

The Arroyo Grande Police Department is completing an investigation into five residential burglaries involving seven male juveniles. All the suspects in these incidents attend the Arroyo Grande High School. The investigated burglaries occurred over a two month period. In addition to the burglaries, the investigations revealed several unattended backpacks were entered and items taken there from, while left in a school locker room.

Nearly all the items taken during the incidents were recovered and returned to the victims. The criminal misconduct came to light when three of the youths were confronted by one of the victims as the victim returned home, finding the suspects inside. Detectives credit the return of property taken due to the quick actions of the juvenile's parents once they became aware of the thefts. All the juveniles were quick to express strong remorse for their behavior.

The following is a recapitulation of charges pending juvenile petition filings:

- Five juveniles are facing petitions of conspiracy (PC 182), residential burglary (PC 459) and possession of stolen property (PC 496).
- One juvenile is facing a petition of conspiracy (PC 182) and possession of stolen property (PC 496).
- One juvenile is facing a petition of conspiracy (PC 182).

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