

## Teen fell through skylight at school

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One of two teens on the roof of a Penfield school was seriously injured when he fell through a skylight early Thursday, according to the Monroe County Sheriff's Office.

Penfield Central School District has confirmed that the two teens, both 18, are 2019 Penfield High School graduates.

Deputies were called to Bay Trail Middle School, 1760 Scribner Road, at 12:32 a.m. after a teenage boy fell 28 feet through a skylight on the roof to the gymnasium floor below, said Lt. Pat Rojas of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office.

The second teenage boy, who had called 911 to report the incident, was still on the roof when deputies arrived. He directed emergency responders to his friend, who was unconscious on the gymnasium floor, Rojas said.

Deputies forced their way into the school and located the unresponsive teen on the gymnasium floor, he said. The teen suffered critical injuries and was taken to Strong Memorial Hospital for treatment.

He is listed in guarded condition. Authorities did not identify either boy by name.

"This is an unfortunate, tragic incident and our thoughts are with both teenagers and their families," Monroe County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Michael Fowler said in a release. "We are saddened by the decisions of two young individuals that led to potentially lifethreatening consequences."

The friend who reported the incident to 911 said "he and his friend were lying on the rooftop skylight to smoke marijuana when his friend fell through the window," deputies said in a release.

"We are deeply upset over this tragic accident and our thoughts are with both of the young men and their families," Penfield

Central School District Superintendent Thomas Putnam said in a statement.

The gymnasium is located on the rear side of the school and at this part is a two-story building. The district has video surveillance on its buildings, deputies said.

Damage was limited to the skylight and a window near the rear door of the gym, district spokeswoman Nancy Bradstreet said.

Penfield firefighters and emergency responders from the Penfield Volunteer Ambulance also assisted at the scene. Penfield Central School District officials, including Putnam, were also summoned to the school.

Deputies are investigating the incident and district officials are "cooperating fully" with the sheriff's office, Bradstreet said. Charges are pending, Rojas said.

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**A skylight where an 18-year-old Penfield student fell through the roof at Bay Trail Middle School early Thursday. PROVIDED**

