



# SANDY POLICE DEPARTMENT

GO# SY 2020-2478  
CLOSED/COMPLETED

GENERAL OFFENSE HARDCOPY  
RELEASE TO PRIVATE ENTITY - INDIVIDUAL  
(ASSAULT AGG-AGGRAVATED)

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### General Offense Information

**Operational Status** CLOSED/COMPLETED  
**Reported On** JAN-16-2020 (THU.) 0459  
**Occurred On** JAN-15-2020 (WED.) 1500  
**Approved On** JAN-16-2020 (THU.)  
**Approved By** SA053 - TYSON, C  
**Report Submitted** SA250 - ANDERSON, K  
**By**  
**Org Unit** PATROL DIVISION  
**Address** 11055 S 1000 E  
**Municipality** SANDY  
**County** SALT LAKE COUNTY  
**District 4 Beat** CRESNT **Grid** 4C31S  
**Family Violence** NO  
**Cargo Theft** NO

### Offenses (Completed/Attempted)

**Offense #** 1 1304-0 ASSAULT AGG-AGGRAVATED - COMPLETED  
**Location** SCHOOL-ELEMENTARY/SECONDARY/HIGH SCHOOL  
**Suspected Of Using** NOT APPLICABLE  
**Weapon Type** PERSONAL WEAPONS / PHYSICAL  
**Bias** NONE (NO BIAS)



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## Related Event(s)

1. CP SY2020-2478



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**Narrative Text**

Type INITIAL R/O

Subject 01

Author SA250 - ANDERSON, K

Related Date Jan-16-2020 7:19

OFFICER: K. Anderson

BADGE#: SA250

UNIT#: 208

DATE: 01/16/2020

CASE#: SY20-2478

CLASSIFICATION: Aggravated Assault

SYNOPSIS: On 01/15/20 [REDACTED] assaulted Santiago Lake (15) at Alta High School in the boys basketball team locker room. [REDACTED] punched Santiago causing serious bodily injury. Santiago was rushed to IMC for injuries to the brain and had to undergo surgery on 01/16/20. Case active to investigations for suspect contact.

NARRATIVE: On 01/16/20 I responded to a past aggravated assault case at IMC. Upon arrival I spoke to the victims father, James (Jimmy) Lake. Jimmy stated on 01/15/20 at approximately 1500 hours, his wife, Rossina Lake, picked up their son Santiago Lake (15) from basketball practice at Alta High School (11055 S 1000 E).

Rossina stated Santiago had slight bruising to his left eye and side of his head. Santiago told Rossina and Jimmy he was "sucker-punched" in the boys locker room by a [REDACTED] who plays on the freshman basketball team at Alta HS. Santiago plays on the sophomore basketball team at Alta HS.

Jimmy provided me with a verbal and written statement which has been attached to this case.

JIMMY'S STATEMENT: The sophomore and freshman basketball teams were practicing together on 01/15/20. Santiago told Jimmy one of the freshman players, [REDACTED], was not doing the drills correctly so Santiago and other players told him he was messing it up and not doing them correctly. [REDACTED] was argumentive and stated to Santiago "wait until the locker room" and made other provoking statements to fight Santiago.

While in the locker room after practice, Santiago was getting things out of his locker when [REDACTED] came in crying. Santiago told [REDACTED] to stop crying and looked back into his locker when [REDACTED] punched Santiago on the left side of his face.

Jimmy provided photos to me of Santiago's injuries when Rossina picked him up from practice. Jimmy stated Santiago showered and his eye swelled up even more so they took more photos. All photos have been attached to this



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case and were emailed to the Sandy PD crime lab.

Rossina stated around 1700 hours on 01/15/20, Santiago started throwing up. Rossina stated at approximately 0400 hours on 01/16/20, she checked on Santiago while he was sleeping and she observed him to be seizing.

Sandy Fire transported Santiago to IMC with the assistance of Murray PD (Murray case # 20CO000991).

Santiago underwent surgery to have a blood clot from his brain removed which was the result of the injury.

Jimmy provided a signed medical information release agreement to me which has been attached to this case. I informed Jimmy to keep Sandy PD up to date on Santiago's conditions to which he stated he understood and would do so.

SUSPECT INFO: [REDACTED] address: 1514 E Sienna Oak Ct, father: Michael Valdez ph# 801-671-0621.

EVIDENCE: Y, photos emailed to crime lab

ATTACHMENTS: Y, medical release agreement, witness statement

AUDIO/VIDEO: Y, WatchGaurd Body Cam footage

DISPOSITION: Case active to investigations for suspect contact



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## NARRATIVE TEXT RELATED ATTACHMENT(S)

### 1. Witness Statement

Description LAKE, JIMMY

Reference Number 01-15-2020

### WITNESS STATEMENT

#### SANDY CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

10000 South Centennial Parkway Sandy, Utah 84070 (801) 568-7200

DATE: 1-15-20 TIME OF OCCURRENCE: 1500-1530 CASE #: Sy20-2478

INCIDENT LOCATION: Alta HS Team Locker Room DRIVERS LICENSE #: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: Jimmy Lake DOB: 11-20-74 E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #1: 801-403-6615 PHONE #2: \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIBE WHAT YOU SAW:

This what my son told me. Multiple players had a verbal altercation with [redacted] during practice. [redacted] became threatening and started to verbally provoke Santiago. Telling Santiago if he wanted to fight. Telling Santiago to wait until we get in the locker room.

Santiago ignored him because he didn't want any problems. In the locker room [redacted] came up to Santiago in tears. And Santiago responded, "why are you crying." In that moment Santiago went to his locker to retrieve his belongings from his locker.

That is when [redacted] punched Santiago in the face. It was a sucker punch & Santiago was not looking. Santiago then through him to the ground and other teammates separated them.

Santiago came home with a swollen eye around 3:45 pm. We took pictures. Started vomiting around 5 pm & continued vomiting throughout the night. Started to seizure around 4 am in the morning. Rushed to the ER.

NOTICE: You are notified that statements you are about to make may be presented to a magistrate or judge in lieu of your sworn testimony at a preliminary examination. Pursuant to Utah Code Annotated 76-8-504 / Sandy City Code 7-8-23, and Utah Code Annotated 76-8-506 / Sandy City Code 7-8-25, it is a crime to knowingly provide false information in this written statement.

By my signature below, I certify that this statement is true, accurate, and complete, to the best of my knowledge:

Witness: [Signature]

By my signature below, I certify that I obtained this statement without coercion or duress under circumstances guarantying its reliability: [Signature]

Agent: [Signature]

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### Narrative Text

**Type** INVSTGTR F/U

**Subject** 02 IMC FOLLOW UP

**Author** SA047 - BLANCO, H

**Related Date** Jan-17-2020

Sgt. H. Blanco 047  
01.17.20  
SY2019-2478

I was contacted at home around 0630 on Thursday, January 16 regarding this case. Patrol Sgt. Webb relayed the details of the assault, and advised me the victim, Santiago Lake, was currently undergoing surgery at IMC as a CT scan had revealed a brain bleed and a possible blood clot.

Upon my arrival at the office, I asked Detectives Crandell and Biggs to respond to Alta High School to identify witnesses and possibly interview the suspect, if he was at school. I went to IMC to follow up with the family, and get an update on the medical condition of the victim.

I located the parents of Santiago, Jimmy and Rossina, in the waiting room of the fourth floor. Jimmy told me he had learned about the fight last night around 1900. Santiago told Jimmy about the assault. Santiago told the suspect, [REDACTED], several times that he was not going to fight him. As Santiago turned toward his locker, [REDACTED] "sucker punched" Santiago in the left side of his face. As Santiago was relaying this information to his father, he was complaining of a severe headache. Jimmy told Santiago to go lay down.

Santiago continued to complain of headaches, but wanted to finish some homework and stayed up until about 2130 working on his school assignments. Santiago took a shower at some point, and then went to bed. He woke up around 0130 due to nausea. Santiago tried to get to the bathroom but didn't make, throwing up on the floor. He returned to bed, but woke again around 0230 and vomited.

Jimmy told me Santiago has an alarm set on his phone for 0400 every Thursday. Jimmy doesn't know why he sets his alarm for this time, and only on Thursdays. Jimmy heard the alarm going off at 0400, and Santiago did not turn off the alarm. Rossina went to turn off the alarm, and saw Santiago was in bed having a seizure. They called 911 and paramedics transported Santiago to the hospital.

I informed Jimmy there were Detectives at Alta High School right now gathering witness statements and investigating the assault. I also explained to Jimmy the process of the investigation, and the screening process with the District Attorney's Office. I asked Jimmy and Rossina to consider how they felt about criminal charges, and expressed our intention to consult with the DA's Office, with input from Jimmy and Rossina. Jimmy told me he did believe [REDACTED] needed to be held accountable for his actions.

I spoke with the Nurse (Heidi) attending to Santiago. The periorbital bone underneath Santiago's left eye had been fractured. Due to the swelling and and blood clot in his brain, they had to remove a portion of his skull to remove the blood clot. Santiago was in a medically induced coma, and not breathing on his own. No speculation could be given on his recovery.

Nothing further.



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### ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

**Assigned To** SA120 - CRANDELL, M  
**Capacity** @ D/A'S OFFICE  
**Assigned On** JAN-16-2020 (THU.) 1555  
**Report Due On** APR-15-2020 (WED.)

**Rank** DETECTIVE  
**Org Unit** INVESTIGATIONS PERSONS  
**By** SA120 - CRANDELL, M

### SUBMISSION INFORMATION

**Submitted On** FEB-26-2020 (WED.) 1618  
**Checked By** SA047 - BLANCO, H  
**Approved On** MAR-04-2020 (WED.)

**By** SA047 - BLANCO, H

### FOLLOW UP CONCLUSION

**Follow Up** YES  
**Concluded**



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### Narrative Text

**Type** INVSTGTR F/U

**Subject** 21 UPDATE FROM JIMMY VALDEZ

**Author** SA120 - CRANDELL, M

**Related Date** Jan-21-2020 13:23

*Detective Name & Id: M. Crandell #120*

*Date: January 21, 2020*

*Case Number: SY20-2478*

### Supplemental Report

On the above date, I spoke with Jimmy Lake via telephone. Jimmy provided me with an update on Santiago's condition. Jimmy stated Santiago had the breathing tube removed and is now breathing on his own. He explained his recovery is going to be slow and they are still unsure what permanent damage he has sustained from this. Santiago is still in the Intensive Care Unit at IMC Hospital but could be moved to another floor depending on his recovery. Jimmy said Santiago will stay at IMC until he begins his rehabilitation, which he will then be transferred to Primary Children's Hospital.

I explained the investigative process to Jimmy and what to expect. Jimmy stated they still wanted to go forward with charges. Jimmy expressed concerns he had after hearing certain things after the assault took place. Jimmy stated he had heard the boy who hit his son is not a "good" kid. He said he heard the boy had been in trouble with the school for fighting and has played a game called "the knock out" game. This entails the boy (and his friends) going around and hitting people in an attempt to knock them out. I explained I had met with the school last Thursday and they didn't say anything about this in the past. I told him I would follow up with the school to verify this information.

I told Jimmy to keep my updated with Santiago's condition and I would be in contact with him throughout the investigation. I told him I would be going to the hospital to get Santiago's medical records and I will stop by their room to meet with them in person.

On January 22, I met with Jimmy at the hospital. There were no new updates on Santiago's condition. Jimmy stated he would let me know when things changed and/or when Santiago would be moved. Jimmy stated he had received a couple of messages from [REDACTED] dad, reaching out. Jimmy said at this moment in time, he would like to focus on his son getting better. Jimmy asked if I would contact Michael and request he stop contacting him and he would reach out to him when he was ready. I told Jimmy I would do this and to let me know if it becomes a problem.

On January 25, Jimmy updated me about Santiago. He stated they had been moved to Primary Children's Hospital. He said Santiago received an MRI and they were trying to determine what parts of his brain are damaged. I told Jimmy I would need a new medical release form signed for Primary Children's. He said his wife would sign the form.



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### Narrative Text

**Type** INVSTGTR F/U

**Subject** 23 FOLLOW UP WITH SCHOOL

**Author** SA120 - CRANDELL, M

**Related Date** Jan-21-2020 15:00

*Detective Name & Id: M. Crandell #120*

*Date: January 21, 2020*

*Case Number: SY20-2478*

### Supplemental Report

I spoke with Jimmy Lake, who told me of some rumors he had heard since the assault took place. Jimmy stated he had heard [REDACTED] had been in trouble in the past for fighting and playing a game called "the knock out" game. I called and spoke with Officer Ballard who is the school resource officer at Alta High School. I told him of the things Jimmy told me he heard. Officer Ballard said he had not heard about these things but looked in the discipline history for [REDACTED] to see if it had been reported. He stated there was nothing noting [REDACTED] has been in trouble for fighting before or that he was going around assaulting other students.

At a later date, I spoke with Dax, the athletic trainer for Alta High, who told me he had heard [REDACTED] was involved in a fight during football season at the beginning of the year. Officer Ballard and I spoke with a football coach who confirmed he was told by a student/football player that he had been involved in a physical fight with [REDACTED]. The coach stated this was a couple months ago, during the football season. We then went and spoke with Assistant Principal Steve Bailey, who stated he received a report this morning (January 22) from a student who reported he and [REDACTED] were involved in a physical fight at the beginning of the school year during football, which was approximately 3 months ago. This report was from the same student who reported it to a coach. Steve stated this was the first they were made aware of the fight. This is the only report the school was aware of a fight involving [REDACTED].



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## Narrative Text

**Type** INVSTGTR F/U

**Subject** 32 CASE CLOSURE

**Author** SA120 - CRANDELL, M

**Related Date** Feb-26-2020 15:59

*Detective Name & Id: M. Crandell #120*

*Date: February 26, 2020*

*Case Number: SY20-2478*

## Supplemental Report

On February 11, I screened this case in person with the Juvenile team at the Salt Lake County District Attorney's office. I presented to the team this case in detail. I was informed that, with the information presented, the DA would be charging the defendant, [REDACTED], with the below charges:

1 - AGGRAVATED ASSAULT (76-5-103(3)) F2

DAO # 20001967

Bail Amount: TBD

A copy of the case summary will be attached to this report.

The defendant in this case is a juvenile and therefore this case will now be CLOSED BY ARREST.



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\*\*\* END OF HARDCOPY \*\*\*