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SHERIFF'S OFFICE HOSTS CRIME SCENE ACTIVITY

The Western Christian High School Freshman Physical Science Classes recently participated in a crime scene activity that started at the beginning of their second semester. This activity was facilitated by SRO Deputy Waylon Pollema and the Physical Science teacher, Mr. Shawn DeStigter.

The students were given a scenario to start the activity and then entered a mock crime scene where they discovered that a murder had been committed. As part of their investigation, students learned these aspects of the criminal justice process; search warrant application, evidence collection, fingerprint analysis, suspect interviews, documentation and report writing.

Assistant Sioux County Attorney, Tyler Grevengeod, assisted the students with the search warrant application. Additionally, several teachers assisted in the activity as interviewees of the students in their process of discovering potential witnesses or suspects to the mock crime.

Students in each class successfully completed the activity by learning how to complete a thorough investigation of the crime scene, analyzing, gathering evidence and interviewing suspects which led them to the correct discovery of the offender.

To end the activity, the classes were able to tour the Sioux County Sheriff's Office and Sioux County Courthouse with special thanks to 3rd Judicial District Chief Judge, Duane Hoffmeyer, for taking the time to speak with the students.

