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Homicide investigation determines juvenile shoots seventeen-year-old

On January 18th, 2023, at 5:45 p.m., Shreveport Police officers responded to a shooting in the 2200 block of Clyde Fant Parkway service road (Magnolia charter School) during the Krewe of Gemini Parade. Arriving officers located a seventeen-year-old victim suffering from a gunshot wound to the upper body.

The victim was transported to a local area hospital where he was announced deceased. Investigators with the Violent Crimes and Crime Scene Units were summoned to the scene.

Through their ongoing investigation, detectives were able to determine that the victim and his friends came to Shreveport from Texas to enjoy the parade. Witnesses stated that during the parade the group began to horseplay, chasing one another around the vehicle they arrived in with plastic swords.

During these actions, a sixteen-year-old juvenile obtained a handgun, and a single shot was fired striking the victim. Multiple witnesses were present.

The juvenile suspect was detained at the scene of the incident and the investigation into this death is ongoing with the assistance of the Caddo Parish District Attorney's office.

The Shreveport Police Department is asking if anyone has any video footage or information about this incident to contact us at 318-673-7300.