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Shreveport Police Investigate Accidental Shooting Involving Juvenile

On Wednesday, July 3, 2025, at approximately 8:25 p.m., uniformed patrol officers with the Shreveport Police Department responded to a report of a shooting at 1501 Kings Highway.

Upon arrival, officers discovered that a 6-year-old child had suffered a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The child was immediately transported to Ochsner LSU Health Shreveport, where he was listed in critical condition and taken into surgery.

Detectives with the Violent Crimes Unit responded to the hospital to investigate further. During the course of the investigation, detectives interviewed the child's father, who reported that the incident occurred while they were parked at the Raising Cane's restaurant located at 1041 Kings Highway.

According to the father, he had exited the vehicle but remained in the parking lot, keeping the child in view while speaking with another individual. He observed the child moving from the back seat to the front seat area where a firearm was concealed. As he rushed toward the vehicle to intervene, the child accidentally discharged the weapon, striking himself.

The father immediately transported the child to the hospital for emergency medical care. As of this release, the child remains in critical condition.

This is a tragic and ongoing investigation. At this time, no charges have been filed. The Shreveport Police Department urges all gun owners to ensure firearms are safely secured and out of the reach of children.