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STABBING SUSPECT ARRESTED

On Saturday October 27, 2012 at approximately 9:30 pm officers responded to the basketball courts behind the high school on a report of Coalinga Fire EMS out with a stabbing victim. Officers arrived on scene and found the 18 year old male suffering from 4 stab wounds to his back.

The victim and his friends were walking from the WHC football game back to the dorms on campus. As they approached the Coalinga Swim Complex they noticed a Hispanic male walking towards them with a black hooded sweat shirt on and his head down. As they passed the subject they noticed the subject turn around and grabbed the victim at which time the subject began to stab the victim in the back. After the subject stabbed the victim he took off running towards Buchanan Street. The victim was treated at the scene and flown to Regional Medical Center in Fresno for further evaluation.

The investigation lead officers to the suspect identified as 18 year old Coalinga resident Jonathon Bazan. Officer's recovered evidence at Bazan's home that is possibly related to the crime.

On Tuesday October 30, 2012, officers attempted to locate Bazan at his father and grandmother's home. Bazan was not located however at 12:30 pm that same day, Bazan came to the police department and turned himself in. Bazan was arrested at that time and booked into the Coalinga City Jail and later transported to Fresno County Jail on charges of attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon.

No Photo Available

Subject identified above is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

