

## PRESS RELEASE



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### Juvenile Fatality

On October 14, 2024 at approximately 12:09pm, Lawrence Township Police Officers responded to the 100 block of Eldridge Ave for a report of a tree that had fallen on a 12-year-old male.

Officers were able to free the juvenile from under the fallen tree and begin CPR. The victim was transported to Capital Health System – Regional Medical Center by Lawrence Township EMS, where he later succumbed to his injuries.

Investigators determined that the juvenile was playing with a friend in his backyard when the tree was blown over by gusty winds, striking the juvenile and causing fatal injuries.

The Lawrence Township School District will have counselors available this week to assist students and staff. In addition, therapy dogs and members of the Mercer County Traumatic Loss Coalition will be on school grounds to provide assistance.

The incident is being investigated by Lawrence Township Detective A. Tara and Mercer County Homicide Task Force Detective P. Way.