



'HOME OF THE BULLDOGS'



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For Immediate Release:

Today at approximately 9:00 AM, the Ithaca Eagle Gunshot detection and Lock down system incorrectly notified administration that a weapon had discharged in the parking lot of the school. There was a machine grating up blacktop to resurface the north parking lot that made several loud noises that created a sound similar to a shot. There was no weapon discharged. "The Emergency Automated Gunshot & Lockdown (EAGL) System is a fully automated active shooter response system. EAGL uses science developed by the Department of Energy to analyze waveform and energy level to discern a firearm has been discharged and to prevent false alarms. This zero false read DUAL VALIDATION TECHNOLOGY will automatically lock down soft target areas within seconds. The building layout shows the shooter location with ballistic data and immediately notifies law enforcement and other emergency responders through email and text messages.*"

This technology is new, installed this past winter. Ithaca has not had it tested, since that would require shooting guns on the premises. Today became a test of the new system. Law enforcement arrived to assist and the county safety committee will be meeting to discuss any glitches and how to respond better in the future.

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● from the <https://www.eagletechnology.com/eagl-gunshot-detection-lockdown-system/> website