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Suspicious activity at neighborhood park leads to teens arrested, guns confiscated

Salem, Ore. — At approximately 2:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 10, a neighbor reported a group of boys actively spray-painting graffiti on the fencing at Hoover Park, 1250 Savage RD NE.

Responding officers discovered the four juveniles who ran from them and then fled in a car. The vehicle with the boys inside, three aged 16 and one aged 14, was stopped blocks away. Officers determined two of the teens, one 16-year-old and the 14-year-old, had outstanding warrants. Two handguns were also located inside the car.

All four boys were detained and transported to the [Marion County Juvenile Department](#) each facing charges of unlawful possession of a weapon (a firearm) and second-degree criminal trespass.

The Salem Police Department is grateful to residents who report suspicious activity and in-progress crimes in our neighborhoods and parks. All City of Salem [parks have public use hours](#), and neighborhood parks are closed between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

The collaborative efforts between the community and police to keep our city safe are essential.

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