



WINTER HAVEN

The Chain of Lakes City

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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WINTER HAVEN – Winter Haven Police have arrested 37-year-old woman after she got on a school bus full of Haines City High School students causing a disturbance and striking the driver. No students were harmed and all were transferred to another bus, approximately 1 ½ hours later, to be transported to the high school.

At approximately 6:05 a.m., Marsia P. Emanuel (B/F, DOB 3-7-74, 7001 Brenton Manor Ln, NE, Winter Haven) flagged down the school bus on Renton Manor. It is still unclear why Emanuel flagged the bus down. The driver (Marilyn Richmond) stopped because she recognized Emanuel as a parent of a student that rides the bus. The driver opened the door to speak to the parent, but Emanuel boarded the bus. The driver told Emanuel she could not be on the bus while students were on board. Emanuel wouldn't exit the bus. The driver repeatedly told Emanuel she needed to exit the bus. Emanuel started yelling at the driver in a foreign language and started hitting the driver on the shoulder and arm.

The driver called the incident in and officers arrived on scene and ultimately located Emanuel at her home. She was uncooperative and at one point pulled her underpants down in front of the officers. During the entire incident, she was ranting and yelling - refusing to cooperate.

Emanuel was arrested and transported to the Polk County Jail on charges of Burglary to an Occupied Conveyance (F-1), Battery on School Personnel (F-3), School Disruption (M-2) and Indecent Exposure in Public (M-1).

A juvenile on the bus was also arrested for Disorderly Conduct (M-2), School Disruption (M-2) and Resisting Arrest W/O Violence (M-1) because he continued to cause a disturbance on the bus as officers were attempting to investigate and locate witnesses to the attack.

