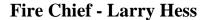
ST. TAMMANY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT # 1

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Firefighters Respond to a Shed Fire at Northshore High School

Slidell, LA. – St. Tammany Fire District #1 responded to the report of a commercial structure fire at Northshore High School located at 100 Panther Dr. in Slidell. Firefighters arrived on the scene in 3 minutes and 53 seconds to find heavy smoke and flames coming from an 800 square foot shed. Ladder 11 was the first truck on the scene and immediately made an aggressive fire attack. Captain Merreil Gomez and Firefighter Brandon Sauter pulled a 200' pre-connect cross lay hose and began to extinguish the fire while Fire Operator Ray Pearce supplied them with water. Firefighters were able to extinguish the fire within 10 minutes of arriving on the scene.

The shed was being used to store wood pallets and old desk on one side and gas cans and equipment on the other side. The fire started in a trash can on the exterior of the shed near the side containing the wood pallets. The quick actions taken by the firefighters prevented the side of the shed with the gas cans from catching on fire. There was approximately 20 percent heavy fire damage to the shed. The fire discovered by a couple of students who immediately called 911. The fire is under investigation and no injuries were reported.

1st alarm: 15:04:17 On scene: 15:08:10 Under Control: 15:17:52

Units: 9

Firefighters: 14 Injuries: 0

Cause: Under Investigation

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