Crime Alert
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On 9/12/13 at approximately 12:30 a.m., it was reported to the Canyon Police Department that a robbery occurred in the parking lot of McDonalds at 200 23rd Street in Canyon. Two individuals from Canyon were attempting to sell a computer on Craigslist and met a perspective buyer accompanied by a couple of other individuals in the McDonald's parking lot. While the perspective buyer held and examined the computer he sprayed the two individuals selling the computer with what was believed to be pepper spray and fled on foot. Being chased by the sellers, he threw the computer down, jumped into a vehicle and fled the scene. Officers responded to the scene but were unable to locate the suspect or suspect vehicle. All other information is unknown at this time.

The Canyon Police Department continues to investigate this reported offense. Anyone with information regarding this crime is urged to contact CPD at 806-655-5005. WTAMU will provide follow up information to students, faculty and staff as it is made available.

WTAMU and the University Police strongly encourage everyone to use good judgment and be an active player in your own safety and remember:

- The University Police Department provides an on-campus escort service for students, faculty and staff. Call 806-651-2300 for an escort.
- Be aware of your surroundings at all times
- Trust your instincts
- Walk with friends in lighted areas
- Park in well-lighted areas
- Have your keys ready when you approach your car and check the vehicle before entering.
- Be alert for strangers
- If you are followed, cross the street, change direction and go to a well-lighted public area.
- Report crimes, suspicious situations and security concerns immediately to UPD at 806-651-2300 or 911.
- Utilize Text-a-Tip in non-emergency situations, text WTAMU to 79516 with any concerns or tips.