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Purdue police arrest 2 students on drug-related charges

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — [Purdue police](#) early Wednesday (Nov. 1) arrested two university students on charges related to dealing and possessing marijuana.

Timothy C. Juchcinski and Jason C. Tenbarga, both 18, face preliminary charges of dealing marijuana within 1,000 feet of a public park, maintaining a common nuisance and marijuana possession.

Juchcinski, a freshman in the College of Science from Portage, Ind., and Tenbarga, a freshman in the College of Science from Evansville, Ind., both were taken to the Tippecanoe County Jail and were later released on bond.

Officers were called McCutcheon Hall around 11:40 p.m. Tuesday (Oct. 31) after a resident reported smelling marijuana on the sixth floor, said Capt. John Cox. The odor was traced to a room shared by Juchcinski and Tenbarga.

Cox said officers received the students' permission to search their room and found a brownie with marijuana baked inside, a clear plastic bag with a burnt ashlike residue, and brown and green plantlike material in the trash can. All items tested positive for the active ingredients found in marijuana, Cox said.

The students' residence hall room in McCutcheon Hall is within 1,000 feet of Squirrel Park, located at Airport Road and Indiana 26. According to police reports, the students were charged with dealing marijuana because they allegedly gave marijuana-laced brownies to several of their friends.

Dealing marijuana within 1,000 feet of a public park is a Class C felony punishable by up to eight years in prison and a maximum fine of \$10,000. Maintaining a common nuisance is a Class D felony punishable by up to three years in prison and a maximum fine of \$10,000. Possession of marijuana is a Class A misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in prison and a maximum fine of \$5,000.

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