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Incident – Armed Carjacking

On Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at approximately 8 pm, Winter Park Police officers responded to the 2500 block of Aloma Ave after receiving calls of an armed robbery and carjacking. The suspect fled the scene in the victim's vehicle after the robbery. Winter Park Police Officers located the vehicle traveling westbound on Aloma avenue and attempted to stop the vehicle. The suspect fled from officers and a vehicle pursuit ensued onto I-4 East bound. The Florida Highway Patrol assisted with the vehicle pursuit and were able to successfully initiate a Precision Immobilization Technique (PIT) maneuver to disable the vehicle on I-4E near mile marker 113. The suspect was identified as James Seth Yawn (white male, DOB 01/09/1988). Yawn was arrested by FHP and transported to the Seminole County Jail. Yawn will be charged with the following criminal violations: Armed carjacking, kidnapping with a firearm, armed robbery, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, tampering with or harassing a victim, criminal mischief greater than \$1,000, and fleeing and eluding law enforcement, and battery.



James Seth Yawn