

Columbia University
Department of Public Safety

SECURITY ALERT ATTEMPTED ROBBERY

On October 7, 2008 at about 3:30 P.M. a Columbia Alumnus observed a group of male teenagers on the Corner of W. 111 St. and Amsterdam Avenue. One of the teens approached the Alumnus from behind, punched him in side of the head knocking him to the ground while attempting to remove his cell phone which was in his hand. When the Alumnus started yelling the male suspect and the other males ran west toward Broadway.

The victim supplied the following description:

Male/black or dark Hispanic/13-15 yrs/110 lbs/5'8-5'10/dark complexion/black hair wearing dark clothing.

The other males were described as male/blacks/13-15/5'8"-6'/thin builds/black hair wearing dark clothing.

Please remember to be aware of your surrounding as you travel. If you see anyone behaving in a suspicious manner, dial 911 immediately for the NYPD or 212-854-5555 for Public Safety.

If you have any information about this crime, please contact Detective Bob Shannon at the 26 Precinct Detective Squad, tel.#212-678-1351-52 or 53.

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