

## Teen Faces Drug Charges

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Benjamin Bolte, age 19, had just pled to probation on April 29, 2013, when he was arrested on Wednesday May 1, by Sgt. J.J. Ruiz, of the Lafayette Police Department for manufacturing of narcotics and other charges.

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Sgt. Ruiz says that while on routine patrol last Wednesday, he observed a gray Chevy pickup on Highway 52 with a break light out. He stopped the driver on Chestnut Street at 5:45 p.m. The driver was Zachary Knight, whose license came back as suspended. However, the registered owner of the truck was the passenger Benjamin Bolte, of the Oak Grove Road in Red Boiling Springs.

“Both people have a history of meth use,” said Sgt. Ruiz. “Lt. Hestand employed his K-9 partner and we were alerted to the presence of a narcotic odor coming from the truck.”

A search of the vehicle revealed methamphetamine, hypodermic needles, digital scales, several plastic baggies, plastic tubing and rolling papers. The meth was located in Bolte’s wallet.

Benjamin Bolte was charged with possession of Schedule II drugs, possession of paraphernalia and manufacturing of narcotics. His bond is set at \$29,500 and Bolte is scheduled to appear in court on June 12. He was charged on May 2, with violation of probation by Officer D. Gross, of

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the Macon County Sheriffs Office.

The driver was charged with driving on a suspended license.