Crime Alert: Theft of Cell Phone near Campus

On November 8th, at about 4:00 pm, a student was walking on Blaine St, near Canyon Crest Drive listening to his iPhone on a pair of headphones. A subject approached him, asked to use his iPhone and when the victim refused, the suspect grabbed the phone and ran off. The victim ran after the suspect for a short distance, but soon lost him in the nearby apartments. There were no injuries resulting from the theft. The suspect is described as follows:

Male adult, about 18-25 years old. He was about 5'8" tall, and weighed about 160 lbs. He was described by the victim has having a muscular build. He was last seen wearing a grey short-sleeved t-shirt, green cargo shorts and tan work boots. He also had a diamond stud earring in his left ear.

The Riverside Police Department is investigating this crime. This incident serves as a reminder to be aware of your surroundings when using headphones and be wary of strangers who ask to use electronic devices.