

Derby suspended two games following arrest on multiple charges

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[As first reported Sunday morning by Iowa City's KCJJ AM-1630](#), redshirt freshman quarterback A.J. Derby was arrested late Saturday evening on charges of Fourth Degree criminal mischief and public intoxication near Wildwood Smokehouse and Saloon in Iowa City. In light of this news, Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz said in a statement that Derby would be suspended for Iowa's next two games against Penn State and Northwestern.

Derby, 20, reportedly punched out a bus window as he was getting off a bus and later admitted this to deputies that were called to the scene. A preliminary breath test showed Derby having a blood-alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.120, which is 1.5 times the legal limit in Iowa of 0.08. Derby reportedly also had "red, watery eyes and slurred speech" according to the complaint. Derby has since been released.

The Iowa City native has been the Hawkeyes' No. 2 quarterback behind junior James Vandenberg after beating out junior John Wienke during fall camp. Derby has made appearances in games against Tennessee Tech and ULM, completing 3-of-6 pass attempts in those two contests.