

2 fires do little damage

Two fires were subdued little more than an hour apart in the Staten Island Developmental Center yesterday afternoon, according to the Fire Department.

The first was reported at 3:22 p.m. in a fourth-floor locker of building 32 of the complex, fire officials said. Firefighters doused the flames with a hand extinguisher, they said. The Fire Department was on the scene for less than 30 minutes.

The second fire was reported 4:29 p.m. in a clothing storage room and was put out by a sprinkler system in the room, officials said.

A youth was observed running from the building and was pursued into the woods adjacent to the structure. A search of the area revealed nothing, according to the Fire Department.

The fire was termed suspicious and referred to the fire marshal's office, according to officials.

Both fires were handled by the 22nd Battalion and damage in each case was reported to be light. There were no injuries.