

Know Before™ with Advanced Safety Solutions

WHAT 9-year-old struck by lightning at JCSU

WHERE Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, NC

WHEN: Sunday, June 25, 2014

OUR ADVANCED ALERT: <u>6 MINUTES</u>



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6 minutes prior to lightning striking child

3:49 PM EDT – WeatherBug's lightning network detects the first three in-cloud lightning (magenta) strikes within a 10-mile radius of the university.





3 minutes prior to lightning striking child

3:52 PM EDT – In-cloud lightning pulses continue and increase while moving toward the campus.





CLOUD-TO-GROUND LIGHTNING INJURES CHILD

3:55 PM EDT – The first cloud-to-ground (yellow) lightning strikes associated with this storm appear. One strike hits approximately 276 yards from where the injury occurred.





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Total lightning detected during the event





This Event Demonstrates How Advanced Warning Can Help Save Lives



The vast majority of lightning stays in the sky and jumps from cloud-to-cloud. Meteorologists and climate scientists have long known that this in-cloud lightning is an early sign of impending severe weather – including dangerous and even deadly cloud-to-ground strikes that kill 50 people, on average, in the U.S. every year and injure far more.

Knowing that in-cloud lightning plays a key role in the formation and intensity of many kinds of extreme weather, we established <u>the world's largest and most</u> <u>advanced lightning sensor network</u>. The sensors in our network continuously **monitor**, **calculate** and **report** where and when lightning strikes occur in the clouds or on the ground – what meteorologists call **total lightning**.

Our advanced technology, based on state-of-the-art lightning sensors and networking technology, now makes it possible for us to provide our customers with **peace** of mind when storms with lightning are in the area.

On mobile: WeatherBug's Spark is the only mobile tool delivering minute-by-minute, mile-by-mile lightning strike information for <u>Android devices</u>, <u>iPhone</u> and <u>iPad</u>.

On PCs: <u>StreamerRT</u> is the most comprehensive and user-friendly tool available to visualize live and forecast weather conditions at local, regional, national and international levels for critical decision making.

Outdoors: Outdoor mass notification system for schools, parks, athletic facilities, stadiums and other outdoor venues where safety is a priority.