

CLARKSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

I am writing to inform you about a serious incident that occurred today and share information on how it was handled by our staff and our partners in the Montgomery County Police Department.

Shortly after 1:55 p.m., we received a report that a Clarksburg student might be in possession of a weapon at the school. Working with our School Resource Officer (SRO) we quickly located the student in question and conducted a search. While searching the student and their belongings, it was discovered that the student was in possession of a handgun. The gun was immediately confiscated and the student was placed under arrest by the SRO.

This illegal and dangerous behavior will not be tolerated in our school community. Weapons of any type are not permitted on or near school property. Any student caught with a weapon will be referred to law enforcement and punished accordingly.

I want to commend our staff, SRO and the security team for their vigilance, quick response and efforts to ensure that our school remains a safe place for our students to learn.

Montgomery County police are investigating this incident and we will provide additional details when they become available.

Ensuring the safety of every student at Clarksburg is a top priority and a responsibility that I take very seriously. I appreciate your support as we work to maintain a safe and secure environment for our school community. If you have any questions, please contact me at 301-444-3000.

Sincerely,

Edward Owusu

Principal

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