State Police Investigating Shooting Incident at ASPIRA Charter High School in Newark

The Delaware State Police are investigating an accidental shooting that occurred this morning at ASPIRA Charter High School in Newark, leaving one man injured.

On April 10, 2025, at approximately 7:02 a.m., troopers responded to a report of a shooting at ASPIRA Charter High School, located at 750 Otts Chapel Road, Newark. Upon arriving, troopers discovered that a 41-year-old man, who was a school bus driver and member of the Culture & Climate Team, had sustained a gunshot wound to the leg after his firearm, which was concealed in his clothing, accidentally discharged while inside the school.

A preliminary investigation indicates that the firearm, which was concealed in the school employee's waistband, discharged unintentionally due to how it was handled or manipulated. The incident took place in a school hallway while children and staff members were present. Fortunately, no one else was injured. The school's constable rendered aid to the school employee, who was ultimately transported to an area hospital by EMS.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Criminal Investigations Unit continues to investigate this incident. Anyone with relevant information or who may have witnessed the shooting is asked to please contact Detective M. Conway by calling 302-365-8411. Information may also be provided by sending a private Facebook message to the **Delaware State Police** or contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-847-3333.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and need

assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit / **Delaware Victim Center** is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at **DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov**.