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Student Is Charged In Peer's Stabbing At Great Mills High

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A 14-year-old Great Mills High School student will be prosecuted on assault and weapons charges in the juvenile court system in connection with an incident at the school in which he is accused of stabbing a classmate, authorities said Friday.

The victim, a 16-year-old, was stabbed multiple times in his back, side and wrist during a fight in an art classroom Wednesday, said Kathleen Lyon, executive director of student services for the St. Mary's County public schools. The suspect, whose name was not released because he was charged as a juvenile, will be detained for a week to undergo evaluations, after which he may be released into the custody of an uncle in Calvert County, officials said.

The students began arguing between classes about 2 p.m. Wednesday, investigators said. They began punching each other, and the younger student stabbed his classmate with a paring knife he had brought to school in his pocket or backpack, authorities said.

The two students had argued in the past, police said. The suspect's parents told St. Mary's Circuit Judge Michael J. Stamm that the boy who was stabbed and his friends had threatened retaliation the night after the incident. The suspect's parents said they were worried about their son's safety. Stamm told them that a psychologist would evaluate whether attending school in Calvert would be an appropriate move.

After the incident, additional law enforcement officers monitored the Great Mills campus for the rest of the week.

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