December 12, 2024

This is a message for students and parents of the Mount Carmel Area School District.

As our learning community is aware, today our school district hosted a girls varsity basketball game vs. Shikellamy on our high school campus at 12:45pm. *(Last December, 2023, Shikellamy School District played host to our girls during the school day.)*

All fans and community members entered our main principal office doors and our metal detector system. Upon entry, an adult fan from out of town, was immediately pulled for setting off the metal detectors. The individual was questioned and their belongings searched by our School Resource Officer and the Mount Carmel Township Police who were present to provide extra security. Upon search of the individual, a firearm was found on their possession. The individual is now facing charges for bringing a weapon on school district property.

As always, the safety and security of students and staff is our number one priority and always will be. At no point were any of our students or staff in danger. We thank our school security staff and the Mount Carmel Township Police for their swift response today and their continued efforts to keep our schools safe.

Pete Cheddar
Superintendent