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NEWS RELEASE

On Friday, May 11, 2018, at 11:40AM the Bethlehem Police Department was contacted by administrators at the Bethlehem Central High School in regards to a student who was found in possession of an electronic stun-gun. Police were contacted after school administrators observed a student in the parking lot of the High School displaying the stun-gun to other students.

Bethlehem Police arrested the student for one misdemeanor count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree. The student was released on an appearance ticket and is due in Bethlehem Court on June 5, 2018, at 5:30PM.

Police are withholding the identity of the student, as they qualify for youthful offender status pursuant to the Criminal Procedure Law of New York State. As of this time there is no indication that the student threatened anyone with the device, or that the device was brought into the building at any time.

The Bethlehem Police Department and the Bethlehem Central School District continue to work together to ensure the utmost level of safety and security for the students, and community; as well as to ensure the highest and safest quality learning environment possible.