

September 18, 2021

Dear Arlington Families,

It is with deep sadness that we inform you that an Arlington High School student was stabbed and later died from his injuries following Friday night's football game. We are unable to release the name of the 16-year-old student at this time. Our thoughts and prayers are with the victim's family and friends. Earlier reports of multiple stabbing victims were incorrect.

The Dutchess County Sheriff's Office reports the arrest of Nestor A. Ortiz-Ocampo in connection with the stabbing. Mr. Ortiz-Ocampo is a former Arlington High School student. We are working closely with local agencies as they investigate this incident. Please see the information at the end of this letter if you were present and have any further information that will help the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office with their investigation.

The Dutchess County Crisis Team will be available in the Arlington High School library from 12:00pm until 3:00pm today, Saturday, September 18, to assist students, staff, and community members impacted by this tragic incident.

The Dutchess County Help Line is available 24/7 via call or text at 845-485-9700.

All of the activities scheduled for Saturday, September 18 and Sunday, September 19 at Arlington High School are canceled.

Dutchess County Sheriff's Office Contact Information

Anyone who may have been present during the incident is urged to contact the Sheriff's Office. Anyone with information can contact the Sheriff's Office by calling the Detective Bureau at 845-486-3820 or contacting the tip line at 845-605-CLUE (2583) or dcso tips@gmail.com. When calling or emailing please leave your name and contact information and a Detective will contact you. All information will be kept confidential, and when leaving your information please indicate what you are calling about **but don't leave any specific details about the case or what you observed**; those details will be discussed when the Detective contacts you.

We will provide any updated information as we are able.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dave Moyer
Superintendent of Schools