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Drug dog scans done at two public schools

On Monday afternoon, April 28th, routine random drug dog scans were performed at Havre de Grace High and Havre de Grace Middle schools. The scans are part of a continuing effort on the part of the Harford County Public Schools in cooperation with local law enforcement agencies to ensure illicit drugs are not brought into Harford County Public Schools or onto school property.

The scan at Havre de Grace High School took 35 minutes and involved one drug-sniffing canine under the supervision of two officers from the Havre de Grace Police Department. Two school administrators and the Coordinator of Safety and Security for the school system also took part in the scan.

A total of 270 lockers were scanned without the dog alerting.

At Havre de Grace Middle School, the 25-minute scan with the same dog and Havre de Grace Police officers was accompanied by two school administrators and the HCPS Safety and Security Coordinator. The dog alerted once. When the locker was opened and examined, no controlled dangerous substances (CDS) were found.

The unannounced routine drug dog scans are done multiple times at each of the 19 Harford County Public secondary schools during the school year. Other scans can be requested by school or school system officials as needed.

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