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Cape Cod Community College Student Arrested for Gun Charges

On Monday March 19th at 10am the Barnstable Police received a call from security at Cape Cod Community College. The Security Officer, Aaron Fitzpatrick, reported that while he was performing a security check of the parking lot, he noticed what he believed to be ammunition in the console of a Jeep Wrangler parked on campus.

Barnstable Police Officer Kevin Donovan was dispatched to the campus, where he made the same observation. As Officer Donovan was starting his investigation a male party wearing camouflage pants and carrying a black back pack approached him and Security Officer Fitzpatrick. The male was identified as 22 year old Jason P. Whitehead of South Yarmouth, who is an enrolled student at Cape Cod Community College, stated that he was the owner of the Jeep Wrangler. A pat frisk of Mr. Whitehead revealed that he was carrying a loaded .380 semi-automatic handgun in his backpack, along with the firearm he also had 3 magazines filled with hollow point ammunition.

Mr. Whitehead was placed under arrest and transported to the Barnstable Police Headquarters, where he was booked and charged with carrying a firearm on a school campus, carrying a firearm without a license, and unlawful possession of ammunition. Mr. Whitehead stated that he was carrying the firearm for protection and that he had taken it from his mother's house.



If you have any questions regarding this case please contact Sgt. Sweeney or Det. Connolly at 508-778-3807.