



**HIGH POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT  
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Chief of Police Kenneth J Shultz

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On Duty Watch Commander  
**336-883-8548 (Media Line)**

INCIDENT TYPE – WEAPONS ON CAMPUS / EDUCATIONAL PROPERTY-**UPDATE**

HIGH POINT, N.C. – On Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2019, the High Point Police Department was contacted by High Point University representatives who advised that their security officers were in contact with a student in possession of two firearms as well as ammunition in his dorm room. Arriving officers responded to the dorm room, observed and seized the firearms and took the student identified as **Paul A Steber W/M 19, a freshman from Boston, Massachusetts**, into custody and transported him to the High Point Police Department for questioning.

**Steber** was charged with two Felony counts of Weapons on Campus or Other Educational Property (Class F Felony). He was confined to the Guilford County (High Point) Jail under a \$2 million secure bond. Through the course of the investigation, detectives developed probable cause to charge Steber with one count of Communicating a Threat of Mass Violence on Educational Property (Class H Felony). The bond for the third charge was set at \$1 million.

This incident is still under investigation, and for that reason, no investigative details will be released. The High Point Police Department will continue to work with officials from High Point University; however, at this time, there are no indications of additional threats.



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This incident illustrates the importance of the public reporting suspicious activity to authorities. Information from the public is often the critical first step in preventing acts of mass violence. For details on recognizing the signs of suspicious activity, visit the Department of Homeland Security's "See Something, Say Something" campaign website at [dhs.gov/see-something-say-something](https://dhs.gov/see-something-say-something).

High Point Police Detectives remain diligent in identifying those persons involved in criminal activity in High Point and holding them and their associates responsible for their actions. Anyone with information related to this investigation is asked to contact Crime Stoppers of High Point at 336-889-4000.



Paul A. Steber  
Booking photo 8/28/2019



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UPDATE: August 28, 2019 3:45 PM

As a result of his first appearance in court, Paul A. Steber will be held with no bond for up to 10 days. During that time, he must have a mental health evaluation.

Steber was in possession of two firearms, a 9mm semi-automatic pistol and a black powder/percussion double-barrel 12-gauge shotgun. Photos of the weapons are below.



*Shotgun*



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*Pistol*

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