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We are saddened to confirm that one of our students, Jonathan Schipper, was fatally wounded Sunday by another student. We have very few details at this time, but it appears to be a personal matter between two students. An investigation is in process and the university is cooperating with the police in the investigation. Any student, faculty and/or staff with any information regarding this incident is expected to cooperate fully.

MACU is a faith-based institution of higher education that always strives to express love, forgiveness, and the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ. We are shocked and saddened that this incident has occurred on our campus. The student who apparently did the shooting willingly submitted himself to police custody. The safety and security of our students, staff, and faculty are always a priority.

Jonathan was a sophomore at Mid-Atlantic Christian University in the Youth and Family Studies program. While a quiet individual he was well liked by his fellow students and had a passion for serving the Kingdom. Jonathan was from Havelock, NC.

The university extends their heartfelt sympathy to the families involved. We ask that the community reach out to those individuals with their love and support.

Local ministers and counselors will be available to the university family during this difficult time.

All classes are canceled on Monday, October 4th. A special chapel service will be held at 11:00 a.m.