



State of Connecticut
Department of Correction



**Student Charges Toward and Grabs Teacher at the
Manson Youth Institution**

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(Cheshire, CT) — During a classroom session on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at the Manson Youth Institution in Cheshire, CT an incarcerated student physically grabbed a schoolteacher, which resulted in a brief physical altercation. The Department of Correction's State School Teacher was able to quickly gain control of the student and remove him from the classroom.

There were no reported injuries to the teacher, the student, or responding staff.

"Our teachers walk into an environment in which the security concerns are evident, yet they continue to show up daily with the belief that education can change a person's future," said Interim Commissioner Sharonda Carlos. "This takes true courage and commitment, and I am grateful that no one was injured."

The incident is being reviewed to ensure policies and procedures were followed, and to implement changes if and where appropriate in order to prevent a recurrence of a similar event.

The Connecticut State Police are investigating the incident. As this is an active investigation the identity of the student or the teacher are not being released at this time.

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