

Inmate Stabbed at Green Haven Correctional Facility

Officer Assaulted During Attack

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Stormville, **NY** – An inmate was stabbed multiple times by another inmate and three officers injured during the attack at the maximum security correctional facility last week.

The incident occurred on Saturday, January, 9, at approximately 4:05 p.m. An officer was releasing inmates who were locked in their cells for disciplinary measures for their evening meal when he witnessed two inmates fighting outside one of the cells. He witnessed one inmate making a stabbing motion multiple times. The officer called for a response and ordered the inmates to stop fighting. Both ignored the orders. As the officer approached the two inmates, one turned and punched the officer multiple times in the face. The officer administered OC spray to the inmate but it had no effect. As additional staff arrived, another application of OC spray was administered to the combative inmate.

Four officers grabbed the inmate in a body hold as he continued to fight. They forced him to the ground and administered a third round of OC spray. The officers were able to get the inmate's arms behind his back and applied handcuffs to his wrists. Once in handcuffs, the inmate stopped fighting.

Both inmates were taken to medical for treatment. The inmate who was stabbed sustained puncture wounds to his rear deltoid, right shoulder, middle of his back, forearm and

finger. Staff determined his wounds were consistent with being stabbed. He was transported to a local hospital for treatment.

The inmate who assaulted the officer and stabbed the other inmate was placed in a Special Housing Unit pending disciplinary measures. He is serving a 18 year sentence after being convicted in Monroe County in 2010 for Assault 1st and Robbery 1st.

The officer who was attacked sustained pain and swelling to his left shoulder, right knee, bruising underneath both eyes and a displaced nose. He was transported to an outside hospital for treatment.

Two officers sustained pain, swelling and abrasions while subduing the inmate. Both officers went to an outside hospital for treatment.

During the investigation officers searched both inmate's cells and recovered two weapons. One was a shank type plexiglass weapon sharpened on one end. The second was an metal ice pick type weapon sharpened on one side.

"This was a complete failure of DOCCS disciplinary system. Both inmates were "keep locked" in their cells for previous disciplinary infractions. However, because of new 'progressive' policies which require keep-locked inmates to be out of their cells for meals, chaos ensues. The result...one inmate sustained multiple stab wounds and three officers sustained injuries that needed hospital treatment. This entire incident would have been avoided if the inmates were simply served their meals in their cells! Despite incidents such as these becoming somewhat commonplace, the legislature continues to push its dangerous progressive agenda with no regard for the safety of our officers, or the inmate population as a whole. — stated Chris Moreau , NYSCOPBA Mid-Hudson Region Vice President.