

# Troopers, BC3 police respond to private cadaver dogs' alert on campus

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(Butler, PA) State police at Butler and Butler County Community College campus police are investigating a wooded portion of BC3's main campus in Butler Township after private cadaver dogs training in weekend search-and-rescue operations reportedly alerted handlers when approaching a mound of construction debris, according to Scott Richardson, BC3's director of campus police and security.

The area that attracted the canines was not part of the group's training grounds, Richardson said, adding that the name of the organization is being withheld due to the investigation. The group called Butler County Emergency Services after its canines, which were seeking certification or recertification as cadaver dogs, reacted positively Saturday evening. Butler Township police responded and contacted BC3's campus police, Richardson said.

There does not appear to be recent activity near the construction debris, said Richardson, who described the area as being dense with excessive vegetation overgrowth and having no adjacent walking trails. Although on college property, the site under investigation is in a remote area not near campus buildings or facilities, Richardson said.

State police and campus police are working jointly on the investigation, Richardson said, and will remain on campus overnight. Gates to the main campus will be closed after evening activities dismiss at the college.

BC3 will distribute additional information as warranted.