

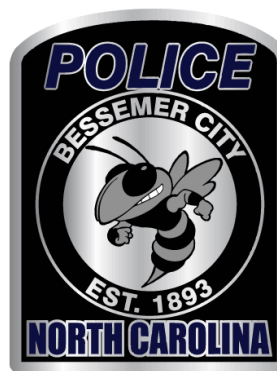


**PRESS RELEASE**

**September 06, 2023**

**FIRE AT BESSEMER CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**BESSEMER CITY, N.C.** – On Tuesday, September 5th, 2023, at 9:57 p.m., the Bessemer City Fire Department, Bessemer City Police Department, and partner agencies responded to a fire alarm at Bessemer City Middle School, 525 Ed Wilson Road. Upon arrival, crews found light smoke in the building. Upon investigation, a small fire was discovered in an attic space between the auditorium and a hallway. The fire was extinguished, and the investigation was turned over to the Gaston County Fire Marshals Office. Gaston County School Representatives were on site, and all units were cleared at 12:17 a.m.



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