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Police Searching for Murder Suspect

Howard County police have an arrest warrant for a 15-year-old suspect in the shooting death of a Columbia man Sunday morning. Monti Mantrice Fleming, of 6508 Overheart Lane in Columbia is being charged as an adult with first degree murder and other charges in the death of Shaun Powell, 18. He is being charged in another warrant for an unrelated shooting Aug. 22.

Investigators learned that Fleming and Powell were at a gathering in the 11200 block of Powder Run in Columbia Saturday night. Witnesses tell police that Fleming and Powell became engaged in a confrontation, first verbal, then physical. The witnesses reported that Powell attempted to walk away and was shot at by Fleming. Witnesses also told detectives that Powell ran from the scene. His body was discovered Sunday morning in a residential area about 100 yards from the incident in the 11200 block of Crystal Run.

Fleming is charged as an adult in a warrant with first and second degree murder, first and second degree assault, reckless endangerment and handgun violations.

In an unrelated case, Fleming is wanted for attempted murder in a shooting incident Aug. 22 in the 10300 block Nightmist in Columbia. The victim, Mark Golston, age unknown, reported that he was shot in the leg after a confrontation with Fleming near his home. Fleming is charged as an adult in a warrant in this case with first and second degree attempted murder, first and second degree assault, reckless endangerment and handgun violations.

Police are asking anyone with information about Fleming's location to call 911.

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