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Brooklyn College Drug Dealer 2.5.20 TRT: 2:30

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| MS Anchor Jason Smith  Location: BC Campus  CG: Joseph De La Cruz  Video Segment:  VO: Reporter  B-Roll: Campus scenes  CG: Lt. James Reilly  Midwood Police  Mug Shot  CG: Javon High  VO: Reporter  B- roll: Campus scenes  CG: Samantha Quinones  Student  LS: Cruz  CG: Yordin Mentor  Student  VO: Cruz  B- roll: Campus scenes  CG: Porter Jones  Student  CG: Mina Brooks  Student  LS: Cruz  CG: George Rodman  Professor  CG: Robert Viscusi  Professor  VO: Cruz  End Video Segment  Location: BC Quad  MS: Cruz | Smith: Brooklyn College has an excellent reputation in academia, but today the campus talk is all about a drug arrest. Joseph De La Cruz has more on this story.  Cruz: Students and staff here at Brooklyn College are all talking about the arrest yesterday of one of their custodians, who is accused of selling cocaine to students.  Cruz (VO): Police say Javon High, 46, was caught selling cocaine to a plain-clothes officer. A Midwood police spokesman pointed out that this wasn’t High’s first run-in with the law.  Reilly: Javon High served three years for the sale of crack cocaine and heroin. He was released last June, and we believe he has been selling cocaine since that time, and has been using his position as a campus employee to do so.  Cruz (VO): Students familiar with the janitor’s arrest have different points of view about it. Some almost seem to express sympathy for the suspect.  Quinones: I don’t know if I would say it’s so much of a shock. With the way the economy is these days I can see him resorting to selling illegal drugs like marijuana.  Cruz: Other students seemed more concerned with campus safety.  Mentor: Cocaine is a bit extreme and dangerous. So I’d definitely be worried about that kind of activity going on around campus.  Cruz (VO): It turns out that the suspect was hired under a Brooklyn College policy of giving janitorial jobs to convicted felons. Some students expressed concern about this policy.  Jones: This arrest is a bit shocking, considering that the school doesn’t discriminate against ex-convicts in terms of hiring.    Brooks: I’m surprised that we have people that work at the school with that sort of background. I know that CUNY doesn’t discriminate against past convictions of their employees. But maybe they should reconsider certain offenses when hiring ex-cons.  Cruz: Faculty members at the college seemed to be more in agreement with the school’s policy of hiring ex-convicts.  Rodman: Brooklyn College is all about turning lives around. That’s true for our students, and we try to make it a goal for our staff members, also.  Viscusi: Sure, every now and then we’ll hire a bad apple. But if we can help someone who truly wants to straighten his life out, it’s worth the risk.  Cruz (VO): This is a debate that is bound to continue on this well respected and progressive college campus.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Meanwhile, Jevon High is due for arraignment in Brooklyn Superior court on Monday. This is Joseph De La Cruz reporting live from the Brooklyn College Campus in Midwood. |

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