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Madison High School custodian arrested on allegations of publishing child pornography

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 34-year-old Mitchell Jon Grandlund, a custodian with Portland Public Schools, was charged with allegedly possessing and publishing child pornography.

On April 10, 2019, law enforcement arrested Grandlund in the parking lot of Madison High School in Portland, Oregon.

Upon review of the case, the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office filed a 25 count charging document that includes 12 counts of encouraging child sexual abuse in the first degree, 12 counts of encouraging child sexual abuse in the second degree and one count of unlawful possession of methamphetamine.

According to court documents, this investigation started in January 2019 when law enforcement received multiple cybertips from an internet company. The tips alleged that Grandlund was uploading child pornography images and videos to an online account. Subsequent to a court authorized search warrant, law enforcement located more than 7,000 child pornography files in Grandlund's online account that depicted prepubescent children being sexually abused and raped.

Law enforcement only learned of Grandlund's position with Portland Public Schools on April 5, 2019 and worked quickly to ensure student and community safety, according to court documents. Grandlund's arrest occurred through coordination with law enforcement and Portland Public Schools.

According to court documents, law enforcement conducted a forensic analysis of Grandlund's smartphone and obtained physical evidence that included thousands of additional child pornography files, and evidence that showed the children victims depicted in those files as being 4-12 years old.

Additionally, as a result of the search warrant, law enforcement located children's underwear in Grandlund's vehicle, which was parked at Madison High School, according to court documents. Law enforcement also located methamphetamine on his person.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office has no further information to release at this time. This case remains an ongoing investigation and the disclosure of any additional details could compromise law enforcement efforts.

Anyone with information about Grandlund is asked to call the Portland Police Bureau at 503.823.0400.

A charging document is only an accusation of a crime. Grandlund is innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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