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Annoying or Molesting a Minor Arrest

On March 6, 2025, the Citrus Heights Police Department (CHPD) received a report involving a subject who was allegedly annoying or molesting a minor. The CHPD General Investigations Unit took over the case and identified the suspect as Augustine Sanchez, a 48-year-old Citrus Heights resident and teacher at Mesa Verde High School. Sanchez was placed on administrative leave by the San Juan Unified School District.

During the investigation, there was a total of six victims that were identified. Once the investigation was complete, the case was forwarded to the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office for charging.

On July 18, 2025, an arrest warrant was issued for Sanchez. He surrendered to the Sacramento County Jail on July 31, 2025, and was booked on charges of annoying or molesting a minor.

Currently, we do not believe there are any additional victims. Anyone with additional information about this incident is encouraged to contact the Citrus Heights Police Department Crime Tip Line at (916) 727-5524. If you have information and would like to remain anonymous, please call the Sacramento Valley Crime Stoppers tip hotline at (916) 443-HELP. ***Anonymous information leading to the arrest of suspects for any Citrus Heights crimes may be eligible for a cash award.***