

## News Release- Inappropriate Touching

On December 13, 2024 the West Hartford Police Department was notified by the Department of Children and Families (DCF) that a teacher from the Solomon Schechter Day School, a private school in West Hartford, was suspected of inappropriately touching a juvenile student. Immediately upon receiving the complaint, an investigation was initiated by the West Hartford Police Detective Division. After a thorough investigation, an arrest warrant was sought charging the suspect with criminal violations.

On January 17, 2025 the suspect was taken into custody pursuant to the signed arrest warrant associated with this investigation. The suspect, identified as Nicholas Ricciardi - 46 y/o of Manchester, CT, was charged with the following:

- 1 count C.G.S. 53-21; Risk of Injury to, or Impairing the Morals of a Child
- 1 count C.G.S. 53a-181; Breach of Peace in the Second Degree



Ricciardi was able to post his court-set \$40,000 bond and has a Court Date of 01/30/2025 at Hartford Superior Court.

Anyone with information related to this investigation is asked to please contact the West Hartford Police Department at (860) 523-5203, or use the anonymous WHPD Tip Line/email at (860) 570-8969 / whpdtips@westhartfordct.gov.

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