



## Chittenden Unit for Special Investigations

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INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child		
Lewd or Lascivious Conduct with a Child	07/08/2021 @ 1324 (21MT003161)	
Lewd or Lascivious Conduct with a Child	07/23/2021 @ 1522 (21SB006560)	
INCIDENT NUMBERS:	LOCATION:	
21MT003161 / 21SB006560	Milton, VT / South Burlington, VT	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Detective Michael Chistolini	802-657-4236	
Detective Daniel Boyer	802-652-6859	
AUTHOR:	APPROVED BY:	
Detective Sgt. Richard Weinisch	Detective Sgt. Richard Weinisch	
SUSPECT:	AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:
Jerry Normandin	62	Milton, VT
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:		
Normandin was arrested on Thursday, July 29, 202	21 and releas	ed by a Judge on Conditions of Release.

On July 9, 2021 the Chittenden Unit for Special Investigations (CUSI) was referred a case from the Milton Police Department regarding the alleged sexual abuse of a 10 year old male juvenile approximately fifteen years ago. The abuse was reportedly perpetrated by Jerry Normandin, 62 of Milton, VT.

Detective Chistolini began investigating this incident and subsequently developed probable cause to believe that Normandin committed the crimes of Aggravated Sex Assault on a Child and Lewd or Lascivious Conduct with a Child.

On the afternoon of July 23, 2021 CUSI was contacted by the South Burlington Police Department regarding the alleged ongoing sexual abuse of a 15 year old male juvenile that is developmentally disabled. The currently ongoing abuse was reportedly perpetuated by the juvenile's current bus driver, Jerry Normandin. The South Burlington School District immediately placed Normandin on paid administrative leave on that date after becoming aware of the allegations, as noted in the attached statement from the South Burlington School District Superintendent, David Young.

Detective Boyer along with a Family Services Worker from DCF began investigating the circumstances surrounding the newly reported sexual abuse and subsequently developed probable cause to believe that Normandin committed the crime of Lewd or Lascivious Conduct with a Child.

As a result of CUSI's investigations, Normandin was arrested on July 29, 2021 for both cases and charged with Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child and multiple counts of Lewd or Lascivious Conduct with a Child. Following Normandin's arrest, he was released from custody on Conditions of Release by the Honorable Judge Alison Arms with an initial arraignment scheduled for Friday, July 30, 2021 at 8:30AM.





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Aggravated sexual assault of a child in violation of Title 13 V.S.A. § 3253Aa(8)- A person who commits the crime of aggravated sexual assault of a child shall be imprisoned for not less than 25 years with a maximum term of life, and, in addition, may be fined not more than \$50,000.00. The 25-year term of imprisonment required by this subsection shall be served and may not be suspended, deferred, or served as a supervised sentence. The defendant shall not be eligible for probation, parole, furlough, or any other type of early release until the expiration of the 25-year term of imprisonment.

Lewd or lascivious conduct with child in violation of Title 13 V.S.A. § 2602- A person who commits the crime of lewd or lascivious conduct with child shall be imprisoned not less than two years and not more than 15 years, and, in addition, may be fined not more than \$5,000.00, or both. Conduct constituting the offense of lewd and lascivious conduct with a child under this section shall be considered a violent act for the purpose of determining bail under Vermont statutes.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of sexual assault or domestic assault, there is support available. Even if the assault did not happen recently, there are resources to help you decide what is best for you, including free medical treatment, advocacy and support. You don't have to go through this alone. There is a whole community ready to support you. For more information, call the state-wide confidential hotline, 800-489-7273, or see the website for the VT Network against Sexual and Domestic Violence, <a href="https://www.vtnetwork.org">www.vtnetwork.org</a>.

Thank you,

Detective Sergeant Richard Weinisch

## Statement from the South Burlington School District Superintendent, David Young.

An employee of the District was arrested today for misconduct with minor children. When the District became aware of the allegations on July 23, 2021, we immediately removed the employee from the workplace, placing him on paid administrative. At that time, we commenced an investigation into the alleged misconduct. A DCF report was also made. I cannot identify the employee involved or discuss the specifics of the allegations against the employee because of confidentiality laws.

The District performs comprehensive background checks on all employees at the time of hire. We do not hire anyone who we believe threatens student safety. We maintain policies against sexual misconduct directed against students. Student safety is our highest priority. Where employees are alleged to have endangered students, we immediately terminate their access to students and fully investigate the charges. We do not tolerate employees who have harmed our students.