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Harrison Co. resource officer accused of having sex with student

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HARRISON COUNTY, MS (WLOX) - A sexual affair with a 17-year-old girl has landed a Harrison County Sheriff's deputy in jail. Wednesday afternoon, Gulfport police arrested and charged Mike Chauvin with one count of sexual battery.

The 48-year-old deputy was fired after serving with the Harrison County Sheriff's Department for 23 years.

Chauvin was also a school resource officer (SRO), though not at the girl's school. He was a SRO for North Woolmarket Elementary.

The Harrison County Sheriff's department began the investigation on Monday after the girl's parent went to authorities.

"I do admire the family for coming forth. I can understand how they had some hesitation being it was a deputy. It's a very hard thing to do," Sheriff Melvin Brisolara said.

The investigation uncovered an affair that began at least a year ago. Sheriff Brisolara said Chauvin was a long-time friend of the teen's family.

Since the incidents are believed to have taken place in Gulfport, Gulfport police made the arrest and took over the investigation.

Prior to Chauvin's arrest, Sheriff Melvin Brisolara said he had a clean record with the department.

"Mike's always been a good employee... never had any problems with him, so forth. Like I said, this is the first complaint I've had on him. Through the years, I guess you just learned that anything can be possible. You take it at that, you do what you need to do and get to the facts," Brisolara said.

Chauvin was arrested and given a \$1 million bond.

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