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Ohio schools officer to plead guilty to sex charge

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A former Ohio school resource police officer is pleading guilty to a charge that he coerced sexual behavior from minors.

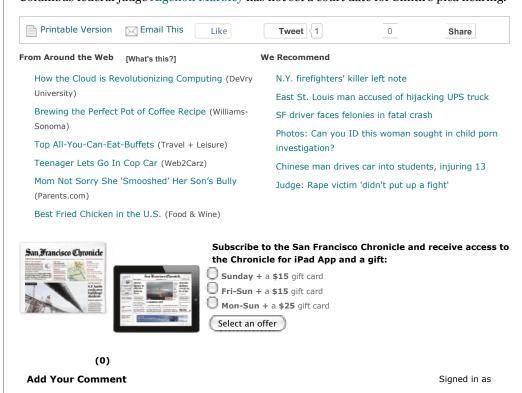
A federal judge had called Todd Smith's alleged actions "violence of the worst sort" earlier this year after listening to a prosecutor and FBI agent read sexually graphic text messages Smith exchanged with two 15-year-old girls at a Columbus

high school.

Smith's attorney Sam Shamansky said Wednesday that Smith will plead guilty to one count of using a cell phone to entice two underage minors to engage in sexual activity.

Columbus federal judge Algenon Marbley has not set a court date for Smith's plea hearing.

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