## **Moore County Schools Police Officer Charged With Sex Crimes**

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## 2017 Cop Pedophile Joshua Matthew Evans

Evans resigned from his job Monday prior to being arrested and booked into the Moore County Detention Center, said Moore County Schools spokeswoman Catherine Murphy. Evans had been on administrative leave and out of the school since Feb. 8.

The charges stem from multiple incidents that allegedly took place in May, December and January, according to detention center records.

The Moore County Sheriff's Office is conducting an investigation into "allegations of misconduct," according to chief deputy Frank Rodriguez. The agency was made aware of the allegations by Chief Roberta Maness of the Moore County Schools Police Department.

Evans was jailed under a \$100,000 secured bond. His first court appearance is scheduled for March 14.

Moore County Schools on Tuesday morning released the following statement:

"Earlier this month, Moore County Schools received an unverified report relating to Moore County School Police Officer Joshua Evans. Upon receiving the information, Moore County Schools Chief of Police Roberta Maness immediately asked the Moore County Sheriff's Department to conduct an independent investigation and instructed Mr. Evans not to report to his assignment at Pinecrest High School until further notice.

"Although the school system is legally prohibited from providing details of confidential personnel or student matters, Moore County Schools will continue to cooperate fully with the Sheriff's Department and to take all appropriate measures to ensure the safety and protect the privacy of its students.

"Moore County Schools can confirm that the Sheriff's Department has informed the district that the criminal charges against Mr. Evans relate to an alleged inappropriate relationship with one of our students. We ask that the media and members of the community understand the extreme sensitivity of this issue and the paramount importance of protecting the identity and privacy of our students. We have great faith in our Sheriff's Department and our criminal justice system and are confident that this matter will be handled professionally and with full respect for due process of law."

Evans was hired by Moore County Schools on Aug. 20, 2012. He was paid about \$3,500 a month, according to school documents.

Moore County Schools is one of two public school districts in the state with its own police force. The force, established in 2010, includes 16 officers who are responsible for safety on the 23 campuses across the school district. Officers are stationed full-time at the county's three high schools and share time at the middle and elementary schools.

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