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SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEE ARRESTED IN MOLESTATION CASE

(San Diego) On May 15, 2009, San Diego Police officers arrested Daniel "Danny" Herrera, age 52, for the molestation of a fourteen year-old boy. The molestation occurred near the end of 2005. The victim did not report the molestation until October of 2008. Herrera has worked for the San Diego Unified School District since 1985 in various capacities and his last position was as a Special Education Bus Monitor. Herrera also volunteered at Whitman Elementary School in their arts program.

Herrera volunteered and coordinated the altar server programs at several Catholic churches, including Saint Joseph Cathedral, Saint Jude Shrine of the West, and Our Lady of Angels. Herrera, also known as Mr. Danny, managed two dance groups during the past twenty years. These groups were called Floor Masters and Street Sensation. These groups, which are comprised mostly of teenaged boys, performed at various community events, including the San Diego County Fair.

Parents and guardians are asked to talk to their children and to report any inappropriate conduct between their children and Herrera to the San Diego Police Department's Sex Crimes Unit at (619) 531-2210.

Daniel Herrera was booked into San Diego Central Jail on child molestation charges. Herrera's bail was set at \$200,000.

Lieutenant O'Hanlon will be available for interviews at 11:30 a.m. in front of the SDPD headquarters building.

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