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FORMER WEST CHESTER SCHOOL TEACHER CHARGED WITH SEXUAL ABUSE OF FIRST-GRADER

The Chester County District Attorney's Office and West Goshen Township Police announce the arrest of 63-year-old Randy Boston, of Shickshinny, PA, for the sexual abuse of a first-grade student at West Chester Christian School during the 2007-2008 school year. The defendant is charged with Involuntary Deviate Sexual Intercourse with a Child, Institutional Sexual Assault, and related charges. He is currently a pastor at the Bible Baptist Church in Shickshinny.

DA Deb Ryan said, "This is the second teacher we have arrested in a week for sexually abusing a child. We are waging a war on child abuse and we will come after every single pedophile in this county. This epidemic must end. The impact of child abuse is catastrophic. My office stands with all survivors and we will do everything in our power to get justice. I encourage anyone who may have information about this case to contact the West Goshen Township Police Department at (610) 696-7400 as soon as possible."

The allegations in the complaint are the following¹:

¹ A defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

In June 2021, West Goshen Township Police received information that a 21-year-old victim was sexually abused by a teacher when the victim was in first grade at West Chester Christian School on Paoli Pike in West Chester. The victim was abused as many as three times by the defendant during the 2007-2008 school year. The defendant was a teacher at the school from 1979 to 2008.

The victim recalled one incident in the gym before school started in the morning when he stuck his tongue out at another student. The defendant, who was monitoring the students, saw the encounter and ordered the victim to follow him to the gym's basement.

The defendant took the victim to a room, where he shut the door and told him to remove his belt and pull his pants down. The defendant first performed oral sex on the victim before telling the victim to perform oral sex on him.

West Goshen detectives arrested the defendant in Shickshinny on July 7, 2021.

He is being held at Chester County Prison on \$50,000 cash bail. The preliminary hearing is scheduled for July 19, 2021.

West Goshen Township Police are investigating. Christine Abatemarco is the assigned prosecutor.

Anyone with information about this case is urged to call West Goshen Police Detective William Cuddhy at (610) 696-7400.

If you suspect child abuse, please call Childline at 1-800-932-0313

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Approved for release by Deborah Ryan, District Attorney