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Stephenson County Sheriff's Office

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FELONY ARREST WARRANT SERVED

On August 2nd, 2023, Stephenson County Sheriff's Office Investigators, assisted by personnel from the Ogle County Sheriff's Office, arrested Daniel Sheets, age 37 of Dakota, without incident at a residence in the 100 block of S. Elm Street in Davis Junction Illinois. The apprehension of Daniel Sheets was for a Stephenson County felony arrest warrant that was issued on 8-2-23 for three (3) counts of Child Pornography and two (2) counts of Unauthorized Videotaping; all of which are alleged to have occurred in October of 2021. Daniel Sheets is currently being held at the Ogle County Jail until he is transferred to Stephenson County.

The investigation which resulted in the arrest of Daniel Sheets was initiated on July 11th, 2023, when a report was filed by an official with the Dakota School District (#201) regarding a teacher/athletic coach who was believed to have engaged in inappropriate communications with multiple female students. After the police report was filed, Daniel Sheets, a teacher/athletic coach with the Dakota School District, was placed on administrative leave.

At this time, we believe that there may be additional current or former Dakota School District students who have yet to be interviewed who may have information pertinent to this investigation. We would ask that any current or former Dakota School District students who would like to speak with someone from our Investigations Division to please call 815-235-8252. This investigation is still fluid and additional criminal charges are likely to be filed.

The Stephenson County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the Ogle County Sheriff's Office for their assistance with today's apprehension.



ACCUSED: Daniel A. Sheets AGE: 37 CITY/STATE OF RESIDENCE: Dakota, IL

Warrant# 23CF190 Counts 1-3: Child Pornography Counts 4-5: Unauthorized Videotaping

Bond: \$500,000 – 10% applies

The public is reminded that the defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial, at which the government has the burden of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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