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## MEDIA RELEASE

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On February 26, 2010 Winchester Police were contacted by Handley High School Administration in reference to inappropriate behavior occurring between students and a teacher, identified as Adrian Ellis. Officers immediately launched an investigation which led to several students being interviewed. During the course of the investigation, it was revealed that on several occasions during November 2008 through March 2009, Mr. Ellis had an inappropriate sexual relationship with one female student at various locations in and outside of the school.

On March 9, 2010, Adrian Ellis turned himself in to the custody of Winchester Police. He was charged with four (4) counts of indecent liberties with a child under the age of eighteen (18), all class six (6) felonies. Ellis resides at 117 East Leicester Street in the city of Winchester. He was transported to NRADC and held on a \$15,000 secured bond. Detectives with the Winchester Police Criminal Investigations Division have been assigned the case, and the investigation is still ongoing.

Anyone with further information is asked to contact Detectives L.S. Hyde or C.C. Barlow at 540-545-4707. This media release was prepared by Sergeant Mark Lahman at 540-545-7548 (office), or 540-974-7415 (cell), or [mlahman@ci.winchester.va.us](mailto:mlahman@ci.winchester.va.us) (email).

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