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Arrest for Possession of a Firearm in a School

On Tuesday, May 14, 2024, the Dodge County Sheriff's Office took 4 separate reports from citizens and received a phone call from the HoNoR School District (Herman/Neosho/Rubicon School District) that School Board Member Daniel Siegman had gone to HoNoR Elementary School to meet with the District Administrator. It was reported that during that visit it was discovered that Daniel Siegman had taken a firearm with him into the school, a clear violation of state statute.

As Daniel Siegman is also a county board supervisor who has been highly critical of sheriff's office operations, it was determined that the Dodge County Sheriff's Office should not conduct this investigation, but rather an outside agency should conduct the investigation and make appropriate decisions after the investigation to avoid the appearance of bias.

On Wednesday, May 15, 2024, the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office was requested to assist with this investigation. As a result of their investigation, Daniel Siegman was placed under arrest prior to the May 15, 2024, HoNoR School Board Meeting. He was transported to the Dodge County Jail and charges will be requested for Possession of a Firearm in a School. As always, all persons are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

This public information release is being issued as there has been a great deal of concern and frustration in the community over this incident. It is important that all remember that the safety of our schools is of paramount importance, and while the right to carry a firearm is a constitutional right afforded by our constitution, it comes with great responsibility. That responsibility is knowing where it is, and is not, appropriate to carry a firearm. That responsibility is even more paramount when you are an elected official. Carrying a firearm in a school without the proper authority to do so in light of the school shootings that occur in our country is unacceptable. In Dodge County it is understood that we do not have a need for more laws to control those who possess firearms, we simply need to enforce the common sense laws which are on the books.

Questions may be directed to Sheriff Dale J. Schmidt

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