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**Man Convicted of Sexual Assault on a Child in Thornton Attack**

Ruben Jesus Sifuentes was convicted Thursday of sexual assault on a child in connection with an attack on a 13-year-old girl in front of an acrobatics and dance studio in Thornton.

Sifuentes (DOB 11-08-89) was observed loitering around Urban Acrobatics at 720 W. 84<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Thornton on December 16, 2015. When two girls exited the business and were in the process of getting into a vehicle to go home, Sifuentes charged the girls, opened the rear passenger door and assaulted one of the girls as the driver tried to pull her away and the girl kicked at Sifuentes.

Sifuentes was convicted of one count of sexual assault on a child using physical force or violence (F3). He faces a mandatory prison term of 10 to 32 years to life. His sentencing hearing is set for 8:30 a.m. May 16 in Division F of Adams County District Court.

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