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**Horizon High School Employee Charged with Sexual Assault on a Child**

17<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney Dave Young announced Tuesday that Michele Lea Flynn has been charged with one count of sexual assault on a child by a person in a position of trust.

Flynn (DOB 03/30/73), who was an education paraprofessional at Horizon High School in Thornton, is charged in connection with her relationship with a 17-year-old special needs student at the school.

She is charged with one count of sexual assault on a child by a person in a position of trust (F4) for sexual contact with the child between December 26, 2018 and February 22, 2019.

Flynn was arrested Monday night in Central Point, Oregon, and is awaiting an extradition hearing there.

The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual committed a crime under Colorado law. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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