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DOE Volunteer Arrested/Report Available

Today, investigators from the office of Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard J. Condon arrested 23-year-old Colin Leahy, a school volunteer formerly assigned to PS 236 in Brooklyn, and charged him with two counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child. The arrest was the result of an investigation conducted by the Special Commissioner's office, which found that Leahy had inappropriate interaction with male students. Leahy maintained a relationship with a 12-year-old male student through text messages, many of which contained sexual references. Leahy also made sexual comments to a 10-year-old student whom he took to the movies on at least two occasions. A second 10-year-old boy accompanied them to the movies. Details regarding Leahy's misconduct are available in a report released today.

Leahy is no longer eligible to volunteer at PS 236 and has since been placed on the Department of Education's ineligible list. We thank Kings County District Attorney Charles J. Hynes and his office for their assistance with this matter.

The Office of the Special Commissioner of Investigation is part of the New York City Department of Investigation and Special Commissioner Condon reports to Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn.