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Today, Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard J. Condon released a report concerning Mario Quinones, a 58-year-old Social Studies teacher at the Robert F. Wagner, Jr. Secondary School for Arts and Technology ("RWSSAT"), a New York City Department of Education school, located in Queens. The investigation substantiated that Quinones engaged in sexual intercourse and other sexual activities with a female RWSSAT student which continued after the girl had graduated from the school. In addition, Quinones engaged in sexual acts with a male former RWSSAT student after the boy had graduated from the school. We also found that Quinones, the girl and the boy engaged in sexual acts together.

These sexual encounters, which occurred at Quinones's Manhattan apartment, began when the girl was 17-years-old and continued for several years after the girl had graduated from RWSSAT.

Quinones admitted to engaging in sexual acts with the girl and also to participating in sexual activity with the girl and the boy together.

The Special Commissioner has recommended that Quinones's employment be terminated and that he be made ineligible for work in the New York City school system. Although Quinones cannot be prosecuted for the aforementioned actions, the matter has been forwarded to the Queens County District Attorney's Office and the Manhattan District Attorney's Office for their information.

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.