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## **Teacher Arrested for Child Endangerment**

Today, investigators from the office of the Special Commissioner of Investigation arrested 58-year-old Rose Marie Sylvester, a teacher assigned to the Mosaic Preparatory Academy in Manhattan, on charges of Endangering the Welfare of a Child. The arrest was a result of an investigation conducted by the Special Commissioner's office, which found that Sylvester pushed a male student to the floor and dragged him by his ankles for approximately 15 feet. The student was in the third grade at the time of the incident.

Behavior such as that exhibited by Ms. Sylvester has no place in New York City Schools and will not be tolerated under any circumstance.

Special Commissioner Anastasia Coleman would like to thank the Chancellor's Office of Special Investigations for their work as well as Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance Jr., and his staff who will be handling the criminal prosecution.