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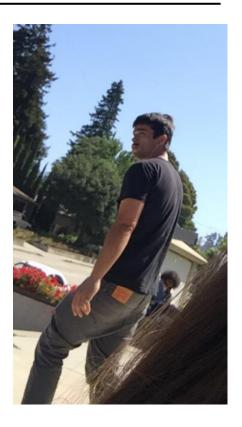
INFORMATION:

Santa Cruz Police is asking for the public's help in identifying any additional victims of this annoying child suspect.

Christopher Swanson was seen near Santa Cruz High School campus several times by a female student who said Christopher Swanson had photographed her buttocks as well as other students' buttocks. This quick thinking teen snapped a picture of the suspect and notified the Santa Cruz Police Department.

Detectives investigated the allegations and contacted Christopher Swanson, 29 years old from Santa Cruz. He was arrested on Thursday, October 4, 2018.

When interviewed by Detectives, Mr. Swanson admitted to secretly photographing and videoing females' buttocks for the purpose of sexual gratification. Swanson admitted that he perceived some of these females to be as young as 16. Swanson also admitted to doing this at Santa Cruz High, the Santa Cruz Main Beach and, Downtown Santa Cruz.



A search of Swanson's phone was conducted and there were numerous photos and videos recovered from the phone. Many of these images appeared to be secretly taken photos and videos of females' buttocks. Many of the females appeared to be high school age.

Santa Cruz Police believe there may be more victims who were unknowingly photographed and videoed by Christopher Swanson in the City of Santa Cruz. If you had any contact with the suspect or observed his behavior, contact Detective Williams.

We are asking for the public's help in identifying any additional victims with whom Christopher Swanson may have had contact. Concerned parents and other victims, please call, the Santa Cruz Police Department Investigations Unit at (831) 420-5839 or email dwilliams@cityofsantacruz.com

PHOTOS Attached

Photo of Christopher Swanson Suspect in Child Annoying Case 18S-07232



For additional information, contact: Joyce Blaschke Phone: (831) 420-5844

Anonymous tips can also be sent to the police department through our Tip Line (831) 420-5995, or from our Website; www.santacruzpolice.com. Tipsters can also submit an anonymous tip via our smartphone app or from an SMS text. Visit our Website for instructions.