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TYPE OF CRIME: Child Pornography
LOCATION: Castlemont Elementary School
3040 E. Payne Ave.
SUSPECT: Christopher Casey
ADDRESS: San Jose Resident

CASE NUMBER: 04-349-0471
DATE: 12-14-04 **TIME:** 12:37PM
AGE: 44yrs.

DETAILS:

On 12-14-04 at 12:37PM, San Jose Police Officers responded to Castlemont Elementary School on a report of inappropriate photos that were seen on the suspect's computer by students. The suspect is a third grade teacher for Castlemont Elementary School. One of the suspect's students observed pictures of a young female partially undressed on his computer. The student reported the incident to a parent who notified school administrators. The school notified police.

Detectives from our Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force/ Child Exploitation Unit began an investigation. On 12-15-04, at 7:00AM, officers served a search warrant at the suspect's residence and confiscated two computers. Another computer was taken from a relative's home believed to have been used by the suspect. The computer at the school was also confiscated and photos of partially dressed young females and child pornography were located on it. Detectives also found a folder containing child pornography in the suspect's classroom.

On 12-15-04 at 3:00PM, Christopher Casey turned himself in to the San Jose Police Department. He was later booked into Santa Clara County Jail for possession of child pornography. Detectives have learned the suspect has been employed as a teacher with the school district for 15yrs. and has taught tennis in the past.

Anyone with information on this case is urged to call Detective David Gonzalez or Detective Adam Tovar of the San Jose Police Dept.'s Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force/Child Exploitation Unit at (408) 277-4102. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Stoppers at (408) 947-STOP.

BY:Ofc.Gina Tepoorten
DATE:12-16-04 TIME:8:30AM

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PRESS OFFICER BRIEFED BY UNIT COMMANDER (CIRCLE) **YES** NO