

## Office of the District Attorney Twelfth Judicial District

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ACTING PRINCIPAL/ DIRECTOR AT LEGACY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY ARRESTED ON SIX COUNTS RELATING TO SEXUAL ASSAULT INVOLVING A CHILD

Twelfth Judicial District Attorney, Scot D. Key, announces the arrest of acting Principal/ Director at Legacy Christian Academy, Trevor Lavalais, age 34.

On Friday, February 11, 2022, Investigators from the Alamogordo Police Department and Twelfth Judicial District Attorney's Office, arrested Lavalais on six counts relating to sexual assault involving a child at the local private school.

Lavalais has been charged with one count of Criminal Sexual Penetration of a Minor, three counts of Criminal Sexual Contact of a Minor, and two counts of Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor.

Lavalais was booked and is currently being held in the Otero County Detention Center pending appearance before a Judge in Magistrate Court. A motion to detain Lavalais without bond has been filed by the District Attorney's Office. That motion should be heard later this week.

Moreover, the District Attorney advises the investigation is continuing in regard to additional children that may have been victims of Trevor Lavalais. The investigation has revealed that "grooming" activity towards other students has occurred, and additional charges are expected.

This case has been investigated and continues to be investigated by the Alamogordo Police Department and the Twelfth Judicial District Attorney's Office.

District Attorney, Scot D. Key, applauds the professionalism and collaboration of the two agencies in making the swift arrest of Lavalais.

This matter will be prosecuted by District Attorney, Scot D. Key, of the Twelfth Judicial District Attorney's Office.

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