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## **Former Douglas County Teacher Sentenced for Sexual Exploitation of a Child**

**Castle Rock, CO** –A Littleton man will spend 10 years in the Department of Corrections after being convicted of sexually inappropriate behavior with several of his elementary school students.

50-year-old David Wayne Feil pled guilty to two counts of sexual exploitation of a child. Feil was a 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Roxborough Elementary School in Douglas County. A “Safe2Tell” tip from a student in March of 2025 accused Feil of sending partially clothed Snapchat photos to female students and engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with others.

An investigation by the Douglas County Sheriff's Office uncovered instances of students sitting on Feil's lap during class, as well as numerous cases of inappropriate touching and photos taken of female students, dating back to 2021. Deputies also found that Feil discussed pornography with students and asked them not to tell their parents about those conversations.

Feil had been employed by the district since 2014 and was fired in May of 2025.

He admitted to deputies that he sometimes “had issues” with boundaries when it came to his students. He received a disciplinary letter from the school in 2021 after inappropriate interactions with students.

Deputy District Attorney Brynn Chase says Feil exhibited classic grooming behavior. “Feil’s actions followed a clear pattern of grooming, manipulation, and abuse of trust,” said Chase. “He targeted vulnerable students, blurred boundaries over time, and worked to keep them silent. Thanks to the bravery of these victims, his exploitation of students has been put to an end.”

District Attorney George Brauchler praised the judge’s sentencing and said the verdict sends a powerful message to sexual predators. “Yet another case that makes normal people question WHAT IS WRONG with their fellow Coloradans.” said Brauchler. “I will continue to say this as loudly as I can; we will vigorously pursue every person - teachers in particular- who view our children as objects of lust...and we will change your life by convicting you of felonies, making you a registered sex offender, and locking you up for many years. Stop perping on our kids! Here in this community, we protect our children.”

Douglas County Sheriff Darren Weekly agreed. “While today’s sentencing cannot undo the harm caused, it marks a significant step in holding this individual accountable for his actions,” said Weekly. “I want to express my sincere gratitude to the detectives of our Special Victims Unit for their tireless work and commitment to seeking the truth on behalf of our most vulnerable victims. The Douglas County Sheriff’s office remains dedicated to protecting our children and ensuring that those who abuse positions of trust are held fully accountable.”

In court Judge Daniel Warhola called Feil’s behavior “unacceptable in this community and to this court.” In addition to his ten-year sentence in the Department of Correction, Feil will also have ten years of intensive sex offender supervision after his release.

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