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SAFE TEAM ARRESTS SEX OFFENDER AT A RUBIDOUX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

RIVERSIDE – A registered sex offender has been arrested by the Riverside County Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement (SAFE) team after going onto the campus of an elementary school in Rubidoux.

Ricardo Valadez, 57, of Rubidoux was arrested the afternoon of April 14, 2010, following surveillance by SAFE team members at Rustic Lane Elementary School. Task force members had received information that a registered sex offender was on campus on a daily basis picking up a child. The information came from parents who have children at the school and who had attended a SAFE task force seminar.

Investigators arrested Valadez for a violation of being a sex offender on school grounds as he came onto the main portion of the campus to pick up his own child. Valadez is a convicted sex offender and knows he can not be on the campus without prior authorization from school officials, which he did not have. Valadez was convicted of lewd acts with a child in Los Angeles County in the early 1990s.

The SAFE task force monitors and investigates sex offenders in Riverside County to ensure they remain in compliance with their mandated registration terms and to diminish chances of their reoffending and further victimize the public.

Every law enforcement agency in Riverside County is affiliated with the SAFE task force.

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