

## Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office

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## Update - Saint Thomas Aquinas Teacher Arrested by The Internet Crimes Against Children Unit

On May 27, 2025, authorization was given by St. Thomas Aquinas High School to allow Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office and Edison Police Department, aided by two New Jersey State Police Electronic Scent Detection (ESD) K-9s, into the school to search for the presence of any hidden electronic equipment, including hidden cameras. A full sweep of the building including the locker rooms and bathrooms was completed by law enforcement on May 27, 2025, and no cameras or other recording equipment were found.

The investigation thus far has not revealed any evidence of hands on abuse at Saint Thomas Aquinas. However, the investigation is still active and ongoing.

The investigation is active and continuing. Anyone with information is asked to call Detective McGarry of the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office at 732-745-3140.

As is the case with all criminal defendants, the charges against Palomares are merely accusations and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty.



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