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Umatilla County Sheriff's Office Arrests a Man for Luring a Minor in Milton-Freewater

On Friday, April 3rd, 2026 the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office was contacted by staff at Weston-McEwen High School after a 15-year-old student disclosed that a 31-year-old male was sending them lewd messages.

Deputies contacted the victim and began an investigation. Through the investigation, detectives identified the suspect as 31-year-old Humberto Salas Torres from Milton-Freewater. Investigators were able to determine that Salas Torres set up to meet the victim at a specific location in Milton-Freewater on April 15th for the purpose of having a sexual encounter. Investigators went to the location at the specified date and time and were able to contact Salas Torres.

Salas Torres attempted to flee and resisted arrest, but was ultimately taken into custody without incident. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail on charges of Online Corruption of a Child in the First Degree, Luring a Minor, Resisting Arrest, and Attempted Escape in the Second Degree. The case will now be referred to the Umatilla County District Attorney's Office.

This incident highlights the phenomenal investigative work our deputies and detectives engage in every day.

For more information, please contact the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office.

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