

# Tuscarora Township Police Department

**Complaint #0310-21**

**Nature of Complaint:**

Improper Supervision/Fail to Protect

**Date Reported:**

02-24-2021

**Date Occurred:**

September 2020 – February 2021

**Venue:**

Northern Michigan Christian Academy (N.M.C.A.), 1833 McMichael Rd., Alanson  
Tuscarora Township, Cheboygan County, Michigan

**Suspect:**

Stanley ~~Spencer~~ Chatfield III w/m

**Victim:**

**RP/Biological Mother of Victim:**

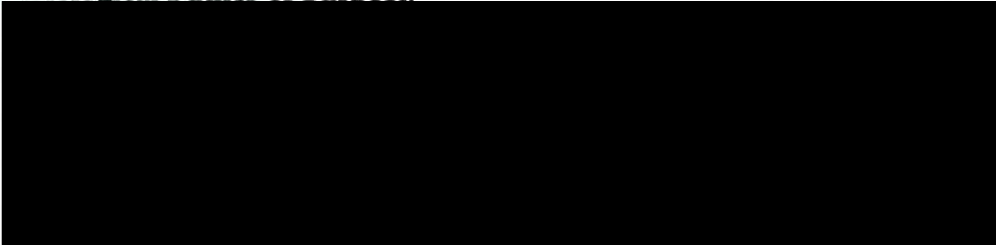
**Biological Father of Victim:**

**Suspect:**

**Biological Mother of Suspect:**



**Biological Father of Suspect:**



**Information:**

On 02-24-2021 my office received a Law Enforcement Notification from CPS Centralized Intake Division in reference to an improper supervision and failure to protect complaint at the Northern Michigan Christian Academy at 1833 McMichael Rd, Tuscarora Township.

The allegation comments stated that an 11 year old male touched another 11 year old male on the upper leg, penis and butt over his clothing approximately seven times while in chapel at school. The superintendent, Stanley Chatfield, was aware of the incident but did not do anything to protect the children and would not take any further action. It was unknown when the last incident occurred.

**Contact with Superintendent Chatfield & Principal Thompson:**

On 02-25-2021 I contacted Chatfield via telephone and he agreed to meet with me at the Northern Michigan Christian Academy. Superintendent Chatfield and Principal Thompson met with me at 2000 hours in Thompson's office. I explained that I had received a complaint from CPS about an 11 year old male that was touching another 11 year old male. Chatfield stated he knew what this was about. I asked Chatfield if he could tell me what happened. Chatfield explained he was notified on 02-17-2021 by the mother, [REDACTED] that another boy touched her son, [REDACTED], inappropriately on the upper leg over his clothing and this occurred while they were in gym class. Chatfield advised he had a meeting with the parents of both parties about the incident and that the other boy, [REDACTED] had to apologize to [REDACTED]. Chatfield further advised that he told [REDACTED] if that [REDACTED] touches him again, he would have his permission to beat him up.

Chatfield then advised that [REDACTED] kept calling him, demanding a suspension or some kind of punishment for [REDACTED] and Chatfield did not agree with her. Chatfield advised that [REDACTED] was taking the incident too far and had a nervous break down at the office the last time she came to complain.

I asked Chatfield if this was the only incident that was reported to him where [REDACTED] touched [REDACTED]. Chatfield stated at the time it was but after it was reported, there were rumors that he touched several times but it was not reported.

I asked Chatfield if [REDACTED] only touched the upper leg or other areas too. Chatfield advised it was first reported as only the upper legs and later he found out that [REDACTED] touched the private area over [REDACTED] clothing but no further incident of that kind.

I asked Chatfield if there was a safety plan in place for [REDACTED]. Chatfield advised that the staff was made aware of the situation and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] will be separated at school activities. I advised Chatfield that I will make contact with both parents and complete a report on this complaint.

**Contact with [REDACTED]:**

On 02-25-2021 at approximately 2130 hours, I made contact with [REDACTED] father, [REDACTED] [REDACTED], via phone. I advised [REDACTED] that I had received a complaint from CPS about [REDACTED] touching [REDACTED] inappropriately at N.M.C.A. [REDACTED] advised he knew about the situation and that he had been advised by Chatfield. I asked [REDACTED] if [REDACTED] ever touched anybody else before this incident. [REDACTED] advised he did not. [REDACTED] further advised that he talked to [REDACTED] about the incident and did not have an explanation about it. [REDACTED] then advised that Chatfield talked to [REDACTED] and made him apologize to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated he talked to Chatfield on 02-24-2021 and Chatfield asked him if he had permission to physically discipline [REDACTED] if he touched [REDACTED] again. [REDACTED] advised Chatfield that he could physically discipline him for that. I advised [REDACTED] that I would make contact with all parties and complete a report on the incident.

**Contact with [REDACTED]:**

On 02-25-2021 at approximately 2230 hours, I made contact with [REDACTED] mother, [REDACTED] via telephone. I advised [REDACTED] that I received a complaint from CPS involving her son, [REDACTED] and another boy touching him inappropriately at the N.M.C.A. [REDACTED] appeared surprised of me knowing about the incident and after explaining the incident, she requested to stay anonymous. [REDACTED] refused to give out any personal information or any involvement in this case out of fear of retaliation by the school. I advised [REDACTED] that I could not investigate this complaint without her information. [REDACTED] advised again that she will not be a part of the investigation.

On 03-06-2021 I recontacted [REDACTED], after she had called central dispatch and requested a call from me. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] was taken out of the N.M.C.A., she was still upset over how the school handled the incident and was concerned about the tuition that she had paid in advance for the school year. I advised [REDACTED] that I would only investigate if the school handled the incident correctly. I further advised [REDACTED] that the financial part would be a civil complaint and not a criminal complaint. I advised [REDACTED] in order to do a report on the incident, I would need her cooperation and her permission to use her personal information.

I had several lengthy phone conversations with [REDACTED] over the last two weeks. [REDACTED] advised that she had concerns about financial loss with N.M.C.A. I advised her that this was not part of my investigation. [REDACTED] then contacted Chief Temple and ended the phone call, after her husband advised her not to pursue any charges. After speaking with Chief Temple, [REDACTED] contacted me and again advised that she was not sure what to do about the case and again voiced her concerns about the tuition that her family paid to N.M.C.A. I asked [REDACTED] what her husband thinks about the complaint. [REDACTED] advised that he did not want to go any further with the case.

I advised [REDACTED] that the investigation was closed and the allegation was unfounded. I advised [REDACTED] that the school handled the incident and put safety measures in place. [REDACTED] advised that she will talk to her husband and contact the department or the prosecutor's office, if she needs further assistance.

**Status:**

Closed.

**Submitted By:**



**Officer Mickelo Anderson #1727**

**Reviewed By:**

