

Former Toronto teacher charged in child porn investigation



Stephen Joseph Schater, 55, is pictured above in this photo released by Toronto police.



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Police say a former Toronto elementary school teacher has been charged in connection with a child pornography investigation.

According to investigators, on Nov. 6 at around 11:30 a.m. police were called to the Employment and Social Services Centre at Lawrence Square.

Upon arrival, police say officers discovered a man viewing images of child pornography on a public computer.

After executing a search warrant at a residence in North York on Dec. 16, police say Stephen Joseph Schater, 55, was arrested and charged with possession of child pornography.

Investigators say that the accused was an elementary school teacher for the Eiz Chaim schools between 1986 and 2004, was the office administrator for the United Synagogue Day

School between 2005 and 2009 and worked as a private tutor from 2009 to 2011.

According to police, after reviewing seized evidence, investigators are concerned that the suspect may have had inappropriate contact with students.

Police ask anyone with information about this case to call 416-808-8500 or Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477).