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JUVENILE CARE FACILITY WORKER PLEADS GUILTY FOR SEXUALLY ASSAULTING RESIDENT

DARIUS JONES SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON; MUST REGISTER AS SEX OFFENDER

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A worker at a juvenile mental health facility has been sent to prison for sexually assaulting a child who was a resident at the facility.

39-year-old **Darius Jones** today agreed to a sentence of 10 years' imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to the offense of:

Criminal sexual assault of a child, Class 1 felony

Circuit Judge Clint Hull accepted the plea.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Lori Anderson stated in court that between September 2017 and January 2018 Jones sexually assaulted the victim, who was younger than 18. Jones was in a position of trust, authority and supervision over the victim. Jones was employed at Northern Illinois Academy in Aurora, and the victim's case was assigned to him. The academy is a mental health residential treatment facility for juveniles.

In addition to the prison term, Jones must register for life as a sexual offender in accordance with the Illinois Sexual Offender Registration Act.

According to Illinois law, Jones must serve at least 85 percent of the sentence. He receives credit for 84 days served in the Kane County jail.

Darius Jones: Age 39 (d.o.b. 11-19-1979), of the 3600 block of West Montrose Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Case No. 18CF28.