

ILLINOIS STATE POLICE NEWS RELEASE

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<u>ILLINOIS STATE POLICE ARRESTS KANKAKEE MAN FOR</u> <u>POSSESSION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIALS</u>

KANKAKEE – Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 1 arrested 19year-old Juan F. Diaz of Kankakee, IL for Possession of Child Pornography – Moving Depiction (Class 2 Felony), Possession of Child Pornography – Victim Less than 13-years-old (Class 2 Felony), and Possession of Child Pornography – Images (Class 3 Felony).

In January of 2023, ISP agents executed a search warrant at Diaz's residence in the 1900 block of Schuyler Avenue in Kankakee and collected electronic evidence. The evidence was analyzed and revealed child exploitation materials.

On October 30, 2024, ISP executed a search warrant at the same address. Agents arrested Diaz on the above-mentioned charges, based off the evidence collected during the January of 2023 search warrant. During the arrest, agents collected more electronic devices belonging to Diaz. Diaz was transported to the Kankakee County Jail for a detention hearing. There is no additional information.

The Illinois State Police provides resources for parents, for the public to report crimes against children, and victims to start their path towards healing and recovery. Anonymous tips of child pornography can also be reported through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's (NCMEC) cyber tip line at <u>www.cybertipline.com</u>. To keep kids safe online, learn more at: <u>https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/onlinesafe/; www.cybertipline.org;</u> For resources for survivors of sexual abuse visit: <u>https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/csam-resources</u>.



The charges are not evidence against the defendant, and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.