



## West Irondequoit Central School District

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November 4, 2008

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The West Irondequoit School District has been notified by the Irondequoit Police Department that a registered sex offender is residing in the 14617 zip code.

The individual is a level 1 sex offender as described in the New York State Sex Offender Registry Act (SORA). This means that the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services has determined that the risk of a repeat offense is low.

This information has also been released to District faculty and staff, together with instructions to report any observations of suspicious nature on or near school grounds, or in any proximity to children.

While the District is not obligated to release such information to the community, we believe that parents may wish to be aware of this information and may want to instruct children in a manner appropriate to age level of maturity. The flyer released by the Irondequoit Police Department is printed on the reverse side of this mailing. The department can be contacted at 336-6001. Private and parochial schools in the District have also been notified by the police department.

**Specific information about SORA and level 2 and 3 offenders can be obtained on the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services Web site, <http://criminaljustice.state.ny.us/nsor/>.** You can review the information about any level 2 or 3 offenders that reside in our community and in neighboring communities. Level 1 offenders are not listed.

We want to reassure you that your children's safety is always our primary concern. However, we do not want to unnecessarily alarm them. Our staff will continue to teach personal safety lessons throughout the year as part of the health curriculum, and we ask that you do the same. Otherwise, it is important to keep life as normal as possible for your children both at school and at home.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey B. Crane  
Superintendent of Schools

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# Irondequoit Police Department



Sgt. Barry VanNostrand  
Investigator Supervisor

Chief Richard J. Boyan  
Chief of Police

November 4, 2008

**\* Registered Sex Offender Notification \***

**Re: Gotham, Claude**  
**Age: 57**  
**Sex: Male**  
**Race: White**  
**Height: 5-7"**  
**Weight: 215**  
**Hair: Grey**  
**Eyes: Hazel**  
**Zip Code: 14617**



Dear Neighbors,

Pursuant to Article 6-c of the New York State Correction Law, also known as the New York State Sex Offender Registration Act, the attached information relative to a registered sex offender residing in the community is being made available to you.

The above person has been designated by the court as a Level 1 sex offender. This designation means that he has been classified as having a **“LOW RISK”** of recidivism and as such we are prohibited by law from providing his exact address to the public.

The above subject was convicted of **Rape in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree** on 06-23-04. His conviction stemmed from an incident involving a 17 year old female on 06-13-04. Information regarding this subject has been disseminated to all members of the Irondequoit Police Department.

You may disclose or further disseminate this information at your discretion. However, you may be subject to civil and/or criminal liabilities from damages if it is shown that you acted with gross negligence or in bad faith. Therefore, you may wish to seek the advice of legal counsel prior to disseminating the enclosed information.

For information regarding registered sex offenders you may access the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services web site at: <http://www.criminaljustice.state.ny.us/nsor/index.htm> or you can call 1-800-262-3257.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Boyan  
Chief of Police

BY: Sgt. Barry VanNostrand  
Supervisor, Criminal Investigations Unit  
Phone: (585) 336-6001

**The following laws apply to each of the three levels of offense:**

Level 1	Low Risk	Law enforcement information is shared with organizations that work with “vulnerable” populations. Any entity receiving information may then disseminate that information at its discretion. The exact address of the offender is not and cannot be shared with school districts or the general public.
Level 2	Moderate Risk	Law enforcement information is shared with organizations that work with “vulnerable” populations. Any entity receiving information may then disseminate that information at its discretion. The exact address of the offender is listed on the state registry which the public may access upon request. Police agencies may not share the offender’s address with school districts or the general public.
Level 3	High Risk	All available information is shared with “vulnerable” populations, including the offender’s exact address. The offender is listed on the state registry which the public may access upon request. Agencies receiving information may then disseminate that information at their discretion.

**Additional information is available on the  
NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services Web site,  
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