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**Former High School Teacher and Coach Pleads No Contest to
Sex Crimes on Students**

Case #: 2019040778

VENTURA, Calif. - District Attorney Erik Nasarenko has announced a no contest plea was made today in the case involving Bijan Nickroo (DOB 09/27/87), of Simi Valley.

Nickroo, a teacher and coach at Simi Valley High School when he committed sex crimes on students, pled no contest to luring, oral copulation of a minor under 16, possession of child pornography and multiple counts of contact with the intent to commit child pornography crimes.

Nickroo lured and sexually messaged with dozens of teenage boys, "catfishing" the victims using online profiles to get photos and videos of boys' private parts. He successfully messaged with one of the victims and arranged a meeting in his office on the Simi Valley High School campus, where the defendant engaged in oral sex with the victim. The victim and his family ultimately reported the incident to police.

Throughout the investigation by the Simi Valley Police Department, 28 known victims were identified.

"We trust our children to coaches and teachers" said Senior Deputy District Attorney Edward "Ted" Andrews, the prosecutor on the case. "The defendant's criminal acts erode that trust. He targeted children with whom he worked and used his position of trust and authority to sexually abuse them in the real world and pursue them sexually online as well, causing tremendous harm to our community."

SDDA Andrews is a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Sexual Assault Unit.

Nickroo is scheduled to be sentenced on January 11, 2023, in courtroom 48 of the Ventura County Superior Court. He's facing five years in state prison.



Defendant Information:

Bijan Nickroo (DOB 09/27/87)
Simi Valley

Charges Pled to:

- PC 288.4 (Completed luring)
- PC 287(b)(2) (Oral copulation of a minor under 16)
- PC 311.11 (Possession of child pornography)
- 32 counts - PC 288.3 (Contact with intent to commit PC 311.11 |