



CHAPTER 14
ARTICLE 7B - RAPE AND OTHER SEX OFFENSES

N.C.G.S. § 14-27.32.

Sexual activity with a student.

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§ 14-27.32(a)

CLASS G FELONY

If a defendant, who is a teacher, school administrator, student teacher, school safety officer, or coach, at any age, or who is other school personnel, and who is at least four years older than the victim engages in vaginal intercourse or a sexual act with a victim who is a student, at any time during or after the time the defendant and victim were present together in the same school, but before the victim ceases to be a student, the defendant is guilty of a Class G felony, except when the defendant is lawfully married to the student. The term "same school" means a school at which the student is enrolled and the defendant is employed, assigned, or volunteers.

§ 14-27.32(b)

CLASS G FELONY

A defendant who is school personnel, other than a teacher, school administrator, student teacher, school safety officer, or coach, and is less than four years older than the victim and engages in vaginal intercourse or a sexual act with a victim who is a student, is guilty of a Class G felony.

§ 14-27.32(c)

This section shall apply unless the conduct is covered under some other provision of law providing for greater punishment.

§ 14-27.32(d)

Consent is not a defense to a charge under this section.

§ 14-27.32(e)

For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

- (1) School. - As defined in G.S. 14-202.4(d)(2).
- (2) School personnel. - As defined in G.S. 14-202.4(d)(3).

- (3) School safety officer. - A school resource officer or any other person who is regularly present in a school for the purpose of promoting and maintaining safe and orderly schools.
- (4) Student. - A person enrolled in kindergarten, or in grade one through grade 12 in any school within six months of any violation of this section.

END OF SECTION TEXT

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APPARATUS I
11 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1979	c. 682, s. 1	ENACTED
02	1979	2nd Sess., c. 1316, s. 9	AMENDED
03	1981	c. 63	AMENDED
04	1981	c. 179, s. 14	AMENDED
05	1993	c. 539, s. 1132	AMENDED
06	1994	Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c)	AMENDED
07	1999	S.L. 1999-300, s. 2	AMENDED
08	2003	S.L. 2003-98, s. 1	AMENDED
09	2015	S.L. 2015-44, s. 2	AMENDED
10	2015	S.L. 2015-181, s. 14(a), (b)	AMENDED
11	2023	S.L. 2023-128, s. 1(a)	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
2 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
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G.S. 14-202.4(d)(2)	(e)(1)	"School. - As defined in"
G.S. 14-202.4(d)(3)	(e)(2)	"School personnel. - As defined in"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 14-27.32 (2023).

PINPOINT

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 14-27.32(a) (2023).

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