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Brookville Teen Indicted for Child Pornography

State v. Jonathan Pearson, 2021-CR-0111

DAYTON, OH (02/10/2021) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **JONATHAN D. PEARSON**, 19, of Brookville, has been indicted for possessing child pornography.

On Monday, December 7, 2020, the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) reported to the Brookville Police Department that the defendant was suspected of sending and receiving child pornography. Officers went to the defendant's residence and executed a search warrant, taking the defendant's computers and storage devices. The computers were turned over to an investigator with the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office who conducted a forensic search of the equipment. Multiple images of prepubescent and young children in various sexually explicit poses were located on the storage devices seized from the defendant's residence.

Today, the Montgomery County Grand Jury has indicted the defendant for:

- 26 counts of Pandering Sexually Oriented Material Involving a Minor
- 13 counts of Illegal Use of a Minor in Nudity-Oriented Material or Performance
- 8 counts of Pandering Obscenity Involving a Minor

Prosecutor Heck continued, "This case is an example of the positive results of cooperation between my office, the Brookville Police Department, and ICAC in identifying those who peddle in child porn. It is critical to hold child pornographers accountable in order to protect children."

The defendant will be arraigned on Thursday, February 25, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

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