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Hawthorne Cedar Knolls teen accused of sexually abusing another boy on campus

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HAWTHORNE - A 17-year-old boy at Hawthorne Cedar Knolls was accused of sexually abusing a 15-year-boy in his residence Saturday night, three days after five teens there were accused of assaulting a fellow resident, police said.

Efrain Castillo, who lives at the residential treatment center for troubled youngsters, was charged with sexual misconduct, unlawful imprisonment and endangering the welfare of a child, misdemeanors, Mount Pleasant Police Chief Louis Alagno said. He is being held on \$10,000 bail at the Westchester County jail in Valhalla. The victim was treated at the Westchester Medical Center.

The incident allegedly occurred about 10 p.m. Saturday and was interrupted by a staff member, Alagno said. Police were called at 12:40 a.m. Sunday.

On Wednesday night, five teenage residents were arrested after they allegedly punched, kicked and stomped on a 16-year-old resident. The victim was taken to the hospital with serious injuries.
