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Police charge school employee with theft

Howard County police have charged an office employee from Ducketts Lane Elementary School in Elkridge with stealing nearly \$9,000 between November 2014 and October 2015.

Twyla Renee Blackmon-Green, 50, of Hearthside Way in Elkridge, has been charged in a criminal summons with 16 counts of theft from the school. According to the Howard County Public School System (HCPSS), she is no longer an employee.

In recent weeks, representatives from HCPSS reached out to the police department to report that there were discrepancies in account ledgers at the school. School security officials believed the missing money had been stolen by Blackmon-Green, who had access to the school's accounts and cash.

Based on information provided by the school, it appeared Blackmon-Green took money that had been collected for field trips, book sales and various fundraisers. The school also provided evidence that Blackmon-Green had stolen a new document shredder from the school in October 2015.

Blackmon-Green was charged in a criminal summons yesterday. Her court appearance has been scheduled for March 10.

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