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**Kids' baseball coach who harassed rival coach to appear in Central Islip court today**

The youth baseball coach arrested on September 21 for sending an opposing coach and his family menacing texts and surveillance photos is scheduled to appear today at a court conference in Suffolk County First District court in Central Islip.

Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said Robert Sanfilippo, 45, of Huntington, is charged with 20 counts of aggravated harassment and one count of stalking.

Approximately two months after Sanfilippo and rival coach John Reardon of Commack argued at a May baseball tournament, Reardon received a series of texts and surveillance photos of himself and his wife.

The text message that spurred the victim to contact Suffolk police included a photo of his young son waiting for a school bus. Sanfilippo's text suggested Reardon instruct the boy not to talk to strangers.

It is expected Sanfilippo, who was released on his own recognizance after his arrest, will be accompanied by defense counsel this morning in courtroom 56M.

The calendar call is at 9:30 am.



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Defendants are entitled to a fair trial with the burden on the government to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.