

Oklahoma City police officer charged with assault

 cbsaustin.com/news/fighting-back/oklahoma-city-police-officer-charged-with-assault

by KOKH

Wed, October 28th 2015 at 5:27 PM



MSgt. Thomas Jaha. (Photo credit: Oklahoma City Police Department)

An Oklahoma City Police Department officer has been charged with assault and battery following an incident with a high school student.

According to police, MSgt. Thomas Jaha, a 25-year veteran, was charged with misdemeanor assault and battery Wednesday.

Police say Jaha was working Oct. 9 as a school resource officer at U.S. Grant High School. While on duty, Jaha confronted a 16-year-old student who was in the hallway without a pass. Police say during the encounter the student took an "aggressive stance" towards Jaha. Jaha allegedly then struck the 16-year-old with his hand.

Jaha then reported the incident and the student was arrested for disorderly conduct. On Wednesday, the case was presented to the Oklahoma County District Attorney who accepted the count of assault and battery against Jaha.

Jaha has been placed on administrative leave with pay.