

# 'Troubled teen' facility sued for alleged poor supervision that led to girl's sexual assault

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Huey did not comment on the allegations in the lawsuit, but noted that plaintiffs left their daughter in Havenwood for a significant period of time after the event alleged in their complaint.



Havenwood Academy, shown here in February 2022, has been sued by two parents who say their daughter was sexually assaulted by other girls at the facility after staff failed to conduct regular bed checks.

Miranda Fisher, a spokesperson for

At Havenwood Academy, police were called in June 2018 after an alleged assault — and found a resident sitting in a horse trough in dirty water, her hands zip tied behind her back. The discovery led to investigations by law enforcement, child welfare workers and Utah's Office of Licensing. They found the facility had used the horse trough as a form of "therapeutic discipline," according to state records.

At the end of those investigations, there were no penalties for Havenwood Academy.

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