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## Defendant admits school corruption

A key figure in the Everett school corruption case pleaded guilty yesterday to conspiracy and procurement fraud charges, authorities said.

Lona Defeo, a top maintenance manager who prosecutors said was a central figure in the bid-rigging scheme, was sentenced to two years' probation.

School Superintendent Frederick Foresteire, accused of having two school-bought air conditioners installed in his home, still is awaiting trial.