

Former teacher pleads no contest to sex charge

**(KNZA)--A former Hiawatha High School teacher has been convicted of having unlawful sexual relations with an underage student.**

**Brown County Attorney Kevin Hill says 24-year-old Gabrielle Bauman, of Fairview, pleaded no contest Monday in Brown County District Court to a felony count of unlawful sexual relations.**

**Hill says Bauman will have to register as a sex offender for a period of 25 years.**

**She scheduled to be sentenced January 22nd.**

**Bauman was arrested in August following an investigation by the Hiawatha Police Department after a report was made to the Hiawatha school district administration in mid-June.**

**Bauman was convicted of engaging in unlawful sexual relations with a Hiawatha High School student born in 1999 between November 2016 and May 21st of this year while she was employed as a science teacher at the high school.**

**The USD 415 Board of Education accepted her resignation during their regular meeting in July. Bauman had taught at the high school for a year.**