



Mesa mom says school bus driver assaulted her son



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One week after a Mesa school bus driver is accused of holding a bus load of kids hostage, a Mesa mom is accusing her son's bus driver of assaulting him the day before Thanksgiving.

Savora Wilson said her 13-year-old son, Bruce Darby was trying to escort his legally blind, 12-year-old cousin off the bus, as they were coming home from Smith Junior High School, because they were scared.

"My son, Bruce, went up to him and said why are you turning the cameras off, what are you going to do to us," said Wilson.

Wilson said it all started because another student refused to get off of his cell phone, so the bus driver told the kids he was going to drive them back to school.

"He didn't take the kids back to school, he pulled into an open field somewhere and locked the doors," said

Wilson.

Wilson said she always taught her son to stand up for himself, so when he felt threatened he started walking with his cousin towards the exit, but that's when she said the bus driver and his aid lost it.

"The bus driver started cussing and yelling, it was the aid who grabbed my son and shoved him into the seat." said Wilson.

Mesa Public Schools spokesperson, Kathy Bariess said the district had put the aid, who is another bus driver, on board to handle recent behavior problems.

"I want both of them to be fired," Wilson said for several reasons including an accident with the same bus driver she said the district didn't tell her about while her son was on the bus. "The bus, a couple of days before, had run into a gate and my son said he's not driving right," said Wilson.

As for the aid, Wilson said, "I'm strongly considering filing criminal charges."

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