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RE: Ernest Ammons OSPI Case Number: D12-11-076 Document: Revocation

Regarding your request for information about the above-named educator; attached is a true and correct copy of the document on file with the State of Washington, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Office of Professional Practices. These records are considered certified by the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Certain information may have been redacted pursuant to Washington state laws. While those laws require that most records be disclosed on request, they also state that certain information should not be disclosed.

The following information has been withheld: None

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding the information that was redacted, if any, please contact:

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION CERTIFICATE OF))	OPP No. D12-11-076
ERNEST AMMONS Certificate No. 414051C)	FINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION

COMES NOW the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), under the authority granted by the laws of the state of Washington, having reviewed the file of the above-referenced case, and having considered the entire evidence contained therein, does hereby permanently revoke the Washington Education Certificate, No. 414051C, of Ernest Ammons, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Ernest Ammons was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 414051C, on January 20, 2004. That certificate currently remains valid.

2. Ernest Ammons was employed by the Kent School District.

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3. On November 26, 2012, the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, did receive a complaint letter from the superintendent of the Kent School District alleging a lack of personal fitness, or a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 181-87, by Ernest Ammons

4. During the summer of 2011, Ernest Ammons engaged in an inappropriate relationship with B.S., a16-year-old female student of the Kent School District; Kent Police Department Case # 11-13746

5. In the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year, Ernest Ammons exchanged several sexually explicit text messages with B.S..; Kent Police Department Case # 11-13746.

6. One series of text messages dated October 13, 2011, after a dialogue of sexually explicit conversations, Ernest Ammons asked B.S. for sexual intercourse and to meet in the school weight room.; Kent Police Department Case # 11-13746

7. On November 8, 2011, Kent School District placed Ernest Ammons on paid Administrated leave.

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8. On December 08, 2011, an <u>Information</u> and <u>Probable Cause Sheet</u> were filed in King County Superior Court Charging Ernest Ammons with the crime One (1) Count of Communication with a Minor for Immoral Purposes, Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 9.68A.090; King County Superior Court Cause # 11-1-11949-8 KNT

9. On January 31, 2012, Ernest Ammons resigned his position with the Kent School District following his arraignment in King County.

10. On February 01, 2013, Ernest Ammons pled guilty to one Count of Communications with
a Minor for Immoral Purposes, gross misdemeanor, RCW 9.68A.090; King County Superior
Court Cause # 11-1-11949-8 KNT

11. On February 22, 2013, Ernest Ammons was found guilty by plea and sentenced to, among other conditions, 5 days in the King County Jail, and 12 months of probation under the supervision of the Washington State Department of Corrections; King County Superior Court Cause # 11-1-11949-8 KNT

12 On March 20, 2013, OPP sent Ernest Ammons a letter to his home address notifying him of his opportunity to respond to allegations of misconduct, per RCW 28A.410.090. Ernest Ammons did not respond.

13. Good moral character and personal fitness is a continuing requirement to maintain aWashington Education Certificate.ERNEST AMMONSFINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Ernest Ammons and over the subject matter of this action.

OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington Education
Certificate No. 414051C, of Ernest Ammons, should be revoked for unprofessional conduct
and/or lack of good moral character or personal fitness. RCW 28A.410.090; WAC 181-86-075;
WAC 181-87-060; WAC 181-87-080; WAC 181-86-013; WAC 181-86-014.

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ORDER

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No.414051C, of Ernest Ammons be revoked.

day of Octobar, 2013 DATED This

RANDY I. DORN Superintendent of Public Instruction State of Washington

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