



SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)
CERTIFICATE OF)

JONATHAN MOORE)
Certificate No. 518366J)

OPP No. D23-05-036

FINAL ORDER)
OF MANDATORY)
PERMANENT REVOCATION)

After receiving and investigating a complaint from Olympia School District (“School District”) regarding the above referenced educator, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, through his undersigned designee, institutes this proceeding and finds that JONATHAN MOORE (“Educator”) has been convicted of a crime listed in Revised Code of Washington (“RCW”) 28A.400.322 and per RCW 28A.410.090(4) does hereby PERMANENTLY REVOKE Washington Education Certificate No. 518366J and does hereby PERMANENTLY REVOKE the Educator’s ability to apply for reinstatement based on the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On February 19, 2016, the Educator was issued Washington Education Certificate No. 518366J. The Educator’s certificate expired on June 30, 2023. The events described in the following Findings of Fact 4-10 occurred while the education certificate was valid.

2. From the 2018–19 school year until the end of September 2022, the Educator was employed by the School District at Jefferson Middle School and Olympia High School as a Digital Media teacher.

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3. On May 9, 2023, the Office of Professional Practices (“OPP”) within the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (“OSPI”) received a complaint from Patrick Murphy, the Superintendent of the School District, alleging the Educator had committed acts of professional misconduct.
4. During the 2018–19 school year, the Educator encouraged Student A, then an 8th grade Jefferson Middle School student, to stay late at school for a school program. These events turned into peer-like conversations between the Educator and Student A.
5. During the 2019–20 school year, the Educator had multiple unprofessional and inappropriate interactions with Student A including, but not limited to:
 - a. One on one Skype calls;
 - b. Frequent meetings in a park and at school bleachers;
 - c. Nightly phone conversations lasting until 1 am;
 - d. Discussions on how they would spend their lives together;
 - e. Engaging in sexual intercourse simulations; and,
 - f. Engaging in sexually themed conversations.
6. During the 2020–21 school year, the Educator engaged in sexual contact with Student A on school premises on multiple occasions.
7. On April 29, 2022, the Educator was placed on administrative leave pending an investigation into his interactions with students other than Student A.
8. On or about August 11, 2022, Olympia Police Department began an investigation into the Educator’s interactions with Student A.
9. On September 15, 2022, the Educator was issued a Notice of Probable Cause for Discharge. The Educator did not appeal.

10. On February 23, 2023, an Information was filed in Thurston County Superior Court charging the Educator with Child Molestation 3rd Degree, RCW 9A.44.089, Sexual Misconduct with a Minor 2nd Degree, RCW 9A.44.096(1)(b), and Communication with a Minor for Immoral Purposes, RCW 9.68A.090-gross misdemeanor.
11. On March 14, 2025, a First Amended Information was filed in Thurston County Superior Court amending the charges against the Educator to Assault 3rd Degree, RCW 9A.36.031.
12. On March 14, 2025, the Educator was found guilty, by plea, of Assault 3rd Degree, RCW 9A.36.031, and sentenced to:
 - a. One day incarceration with credit for time served;
 - b. Community Custody for twelve (12) months;
 - c. Completion of a psychosexual evaluation and comply with any recommended treatment;
 - d. No contact with minors unless with approval of sexual deviancy treatment provider; and,
 - e. Other conditions.

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. RCW Chapter 28A.410 gives the Professional Educator Standards Board the authority to develop regulations determining eligibility for and certification of personnel employed in the common schools of the state of Washington. OSPI acts as the administrator of those statutes and regulations and has the authority to issue, reprimand, suspend, and revoke education certificates. RCW 28A.410.010; RCW 28A.410.090. Chapters 181-86 and 181-87 of the WAC further implement OSPI's authority.
2. OSPI has jurisdiction over the Educator and the subject matter of this action.

3. Pursuant to WAC 181-86-070, there is clear and convincing evidence the Educator has pleaded guilty to or has been convicted of a crime specified in RCW 28A.410.090(4).

4. Pursuant to RCW 28A.410.090(4) and WAC 181-86-013 (2), a plea of guilty or a conviction of Assault 3rd Degree, RCW 9A.36.031, if the victim is under the age of 18 years, “bars the certificate holder from any future practice as an education practitioner” mandates OSPI to permanently revoke the Educator’s certificate.

5. Pursuant to WAC 181-86-170, WAC 181-86-013(4), and WAC 181-86-014, there is clear and convincing evidence the Educator has a behavioral problem that endangers the educational welfare or personal safety of students.

6. Pursuant to WAC 181-86-075, permanent revocation is appropriate discipline when (1) the superintendent of public instruction has determined that the education practitioner has committed a felony crime under WAC 181-86-013 (1) or (2) which bars the education practitioner from any future practice as an education practitioner.

7. Pursuant to WAC 181-86-080, eleven factors, at a minimum, are to be considered to determine the appropriate level and range of educator discipline:

- (1) The seriousness of the act(s) and the actual or potential harm to persons or property;
- (2) The person’s criminal history including the seriousness and amount of activity;
- (3) The age and maturity level of participant(s) at the time of the activity;
- (4) The proximity or remoteness of time in which the acts occurred;
- (5) Any activity that demonstrates a disregard for health, safety or welfare;
- (6) Any activity that demonstrates a behavioral problem;
- (7) Any activity that demonstrates a lack of fitness;
- (8) Any information submitted regarding discipline imposed by any governmental or private entity as a result of acts or omissions;
- (9) Any information submitted that demonstrates aggravating or mitigating circumstances;
- (10) Any information submitted to support character and fitness; and
- (11) Any other relevant information submitted.

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8. Based on the foregoing facts, and considering them in light of the eleven factors enumerated in WAC 181-86-080, and in light of WAC 181-86-075, RCW 28A.410.090(4), WAC 181-87-060, WAC 181-87-080, and WAC 181-86, the Educator's education certificate should be permanently revoked for demonstrating a lack of good moral character and personal fitness pursuant to WAC 181-86-013(1), committing an act of unprofessional conduct pursuant to WAC 181-87-060 and WAC 181-87-080, and committing a felony crime under RCW 28A.410.090(4) which bars the Educator from any future practice as an educator.

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III. ORDER

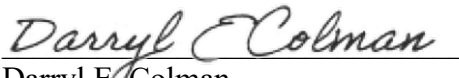
THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that Washington Education Certificate No. 518366J and JONATHAN MOORE's ability to hold a Washington Education Certificate is **PERMANENTLY REVOKED**.

This order becomes final thirty (30) calendar following the date of postmarked mailing or other notification, whichever is earlier, from the section of the superintendent of public instruction's office responsible for certification of the decision or order unless OSPI receives the certificate holder's written appeal within the thirty (30) day period. Appeals should be addressed to:

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction
Office of Legal Affairs
PO Box 47200
Olympia, WA 98504

DATED this 2nd day of July, 2025.

CHRIS REYKDAL
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State of Washington


Darryl E. Colman
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