



SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)	
CERTIFICATE OF)	OPP No. D24-05-031
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JORDAN HENDERSON)	FINAL ORDER
Certificate No. 498491J)	OF MANDATORY
)	PERMANENT REVOCATION
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After receiving and investigating a complaint from Peninsula School District (“School District”) regarding the above referenced educator, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, through his undersigned designee, institutes this proceeding and finds that JORDAN HENDERSON (“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. 498491J 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 June 12, 2013, the Educator was issued Washington Education Certificate No. 498491J. The Educator’s certificate expired on June 30, 2024. The events listed within Findings of Fact numbers 4, 5, and 6 occurred while Certificate No. 498491J was valid.
2. During the 2023–24 school year, the Educator was employed by the School District at Evergreen Elementary as a 4th grade classroom teacher.
3. On April 25, 2024, the Office of Professional Practices (“OPP”) within the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (“OSPI”) received a complaint from Krestin Bahr, the

Superintendent of the School District, alleging the Educator had been arrested by Pierce County Sheriff's Office and charged with multiple felony criminal charges involving juveniles.

4. Between August 31, 2022, and February 27, 2024, the Educator had sexual contact with female students in his school classroom. The students were all under the age of 12 years at the time of events.

5. On February 26, 2024, the Educator was placed on administrative leave.

6. On April 19, 2024, an Information and Determination for Probable Cause were filed in Pierce County Superior Court charging the Educator with nine (9) counts of Child Molestation 1st Degree, RCW 9A.44.083.

7. On June 26, 2024, an Amended Information and Supplemental Declaration for Determination of Probable Cause were filed in Pierce County Superior Court charging the Educator with twelve (12) counts of Child Molestation 1st Degree, RCW 9A.44.083.

8. On May 31, 2024, the Educator signed a Separation Agreement with the School District. Per the Agreement, the Educator would remain on administrative leave until June 30, 2024, and then would be separated from employment with the School District.

9. On December 2, 2025, a 2nd Amended Information was filed in Pierce County Superior Court charging the Educator with twelve (12) counts of Child Molestation 1st Degree, RCW 9A.44.083.

10. On December 17, 2025, a 3rd Amended Information was filed in Pierce County Superior Court charging the Educator with fifteen (15) counts of Child Molestation 1st Degree, RCW 9A.44.083.

11. On January 5, 2026, after a trial, the Educator was found guilty, by a jury, of twelve (12) counts of Child Molestation 1st Degree, RCW 9A.44.083.

12. On May 8, 2026, the Educator was found guilty and sentenced. The Educator received:

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- a. A sentence of 198 months to life for each count. Four of the count sentences were to run consecutively and the remained to run concurrently;
- b. Community Custody with the Washington Department of Corrections (DOC) upon release from incarceration with community custody conditions of:
 - i. No contact with four students;
 - ii. No serving in any paid or volunteer capacity here he has control or supervision of minors under the age of 13 years;
 - iii. Participate in a psychosexual evaluation and follow-up treatment;
 - iv. No contact with minors and contact with his biological daughters to be supervised per DOC until they turn 18 years of age.
- c. Sex Offender Registration.

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 that the Educator has been convicted of a crime specified in RCW 28A.410.090(4).

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

5. 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.

6. 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.

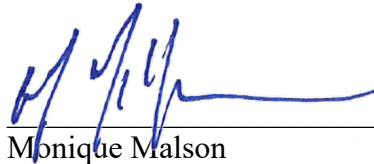
7. Based on the foregoing facts, and considering them in light of the eleven factors enumerated in WAC 181-86-080, and in light of WAC 181-86-075, RCW 28A.410.090(4), WAC 181-87-080, and WAC 181-86, the Educator's education certificate should be permanently revoked for demonstrating a lack of good moral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

III. ORDER

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that Washington Education Certificate No. 498491J and JORDAN HENDERSON's ability to hold a Washington Education Certificate is **PERMANENTLY REVOKED.**

DATED this 8th day of July, 2026.

CHRIS REYKDAL
Superintendent of Public Instruction
State of Washington



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