

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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RE: John Scheline

> OSPI Case Number: D17-08-074 Document: Permanent 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. D17-08-074
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JOHN SCHELINE)	FINAL ORDER
Certificate No. 537786F)	OF MANDATORY
)	PERMANENT REVOCATION
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After receiving and investigating a complaint from the Pasco School District ("School District") regarding the above referenced educator, and based upon the facts available as of the date of this Proposed Order, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, through his undersigned designee, institutes this proceeding and finds, as described below, that JOHN SCHELINE ("Educator") has shown a lack of good moral character or personal fitness to include WAC 181-86-013(1), WAC 181-86-014, and WAC 181-86-075, and does hereby PERMANENTLY REVOKE the Educator's Washington Education Certificate No. 537786F based on the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On February 7, 2017, the Educator was issued Washington Education Certificate No. 537786F. The Educator's certificate will expire on June 30, 2019.
- 2. During the 2017 school year, the Educator was employed by the School District as an Emergency Substitute Teacher.

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- 3. On August 17, 2017, the Office of Professional Practices ("OPP") within the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction ("OSPI") received a complaint from Michelle Whitney, the Superintendent of the School District, alleging that the Educator has committed unprofessional conduct pursuant to WAC 181-86-110.
- 4. On June 27, 2018, the Educator pleaded guilty to Attempted Rape of a Child in the Second Degree. Pursuant to RCW 28A.410.090(4), such a plea authorizes OSPI to permanently revoke the Educator's Washington Education Certificate No. 537786F.
- 5. On September 19, 2018, the Educator was sentenced to 58.5 months in prison.

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Chapter 28A.410 RCW 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 Washington Administrative Code (WAC) further implement OSPI's authority.
- 2. OSPI has jurisdiction over the Educator and the subject matter of this action.
- 3. There is clear and convincing evidence that the Educator committed a felony crime under WAC 181-86-075 which bars the certificate holder from any future practice as an education practitioner and that the Educator has shown a lack of good moral character or personal fitness under WAC 181-86-013(1) and WAC 181-86-014.

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- 4. 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.
- 5. 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 181-86-013(1), and WAC 181-86-014, the Educator's education certificate should be permanently revoked.

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III. ORDER

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate No. 537786F of JOHN SCHELINE is **PERMANENTLY REVOKED.**

DATED this 8th day of January, 2019.

CHRIS REYKDAL Superintendent of Public Instruction State of Washington

Signed: Dierk Meierbachtol Chief Legal Officer