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RE: Craig Shetterly OSPI Case Number: D16-01-003 Document: Final Order of Suspension

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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION CERTIFICATE OF

CRAIG SHETTERLY Certificate No. 478184E OPP No. D16-01-003 FINAL ORDER OF SUSPENSION

INTRODUCTION

After receiving and investigating a complaint from Quillayute Valley School District ("the 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 the Educator engaged in acts of unprofessional conduct to include WAC 181-87-060(1) and 181-87-080(1).

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On January 24, 2011, CRAIG SHETTERLY, ("the Educator") was issued an Emergency Substitute Teacher Certificate, No. 478184E. The Educator's Emergency Substitute Certificate expired on June 30, 2013. On August 19, 2014, the Educator was issued a Residency Teacher Certificate, No. 478184E. The Educator's Residency Teacher Certificate is active.

2. On April 20, 2015, the Educator was hired by the School District as a teacher and coach.

3. On August 31, 2015, the Educator attended new employee training by the School District that included sections related to boundary issues with students.

4. In September 2015, the Educator initiated contact with Student A, a 16-year-old female student attending the school where Educator was employed, via a school-operated Instagram CRAIG SHETTERLY FINAL ORDER OF SUSPENSION -1-

account. The Educator contacted Student A on her personal Instagram account. The communication was related to Student A's participation on the girls' basketball team during the school year.

5. On or about September 25, 2015, the Educator used his personal Snapchat account to contact Student A through her personal Snapchat account. During the exchange with Student A, the Educator stated that he needed someone to talk to.

6. On or about September 26, 2015, during the late night and early morning hours, the Educator contacted Student A via Snapchat. During the exchange, the Educator asked Student A if she ever felt like anybody made her feel special. He added that, one day, the Educator could make her feel special. Student A never responded to the Educator's messages.

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. The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction ("OSPI") acts as the administrator of those statutes and regulations and has the authority to issue, reprimand, suspend, and revoke education certificates. RCW 28A.410.090, RCW 28A.410.010, and WAC 181-86 and WAC 181-87 further implement OPSI's authority.

2. OSPI has jurisdiction over the Educator and the subject matter discussed herein.

3. The Educator committed acts of unprofessional conduct pursuant to WAC 181-87-060(1) and 181-87-080(1).

4. There is clear and convincing evidence that the Educator committed unprofessional conduct. WAC 181-86-170.

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5. 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.

6. 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 181-86-070, and WAC 181-87-060(1) and 181-87-080(1), the Educator's education certificate should be suspended for unprofessional conduct.

III. ORDER

1. The Educator's Washington Education Certificate, No. 478184E, is **SUSPENDED**. The

Educator may not request reinstatement of his education certificate for at least three (3) months

from the effective date of this ORDER.

2. Prior to requesting reinstatement of his education certificate, the Educator must meet the following requirements:

A. In addition to any mandatory continuing education, the Educator must successfully

complete an in-person EDUCATOR BOUNDARIES course, preapproved by OSPI.

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The Educator must provide OSPI with proof of completion of the course prior to requesting reinstatement.

B. The Educator must submit a new application, including a Character and Fitness Supplement.

C. The Educator must complete a fingerprint-based criminal background check through the Washington State Patrol and Federal Bureau of Investigation.

3. In the event the Educator's education certificate expires during the period of suspension, the Educator shall demonstrate that he or she meets all academic requirements for renewal of the expired education certificate.

4. The Educator shall assume all costs of complying with the requirements of this Order.

DATED This 21st day of November, 2016.

RANDY I. DORN Superintendent of Public Instruction State of Washington

Signed: Dierk Meierbachtol Chief Legal Officer Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction