

BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the Educator	)	DEFAULT ORDER OF
License of	)	SUSPENSION AND
AMY D. RAMEY	)	PROBATION

On July 28, 2026, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Amy D. Ramey (Ramey) in which the Commission charged her with Gross Neglect of Duty. The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 9589 0710 5270 2978 6294 88 to the address on file with the Commission. The Notice designated the Commission file as the record for purposes of proving a prima facie case. Additionally, the Notice was sent to her via email to the last known address she provided the Commission on September 8, 2026. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated July 28, 2026, signed by Rachel Alpert, Executive Director, stated:

“IF A REQUEST FOR HEARING IS NOT RECEIVED WITHIN THIS 21-DAY PERIOD, YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING SHALL BE CONSIDERED WAIVED UNLESS YOUR FAILURE TO REQUEST A HEARING WAS BEYOND YOUR REASONABLE CONTROL. IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING, WITHDRAW YOUR REQUEST FOR HEARING, IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT A HEARING, OR NOTIFY THE COMMISSION THAT YOU WILL NOT APPEAR AT HEARING, THE COMMISSION WILL ADOPT AN ORDER OF DEFAULT WHICH MAY INCLUDE THE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF YOUR LICENSE OR OTHER DISCIPLINE.”

As of the writing of this Default Order, Ramey has not responded. The Commission, therefore, finds Ramey to be in default and enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and final order, based on the files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Commission has licensed Ramey since July 27, 2000. Ramey currently holds a Professional Teaching License with endorsements in English to Speakers of Other Languages (PK-12) and Elementary – Multiple Subjects (PK-12), which was issued on January 13, 2023 and expires on January 12, 2028. During all relevant times, Ramey was employed by the Silver Falls School District (SFSD).
2. On April 26, 2023, the Commission received a School District Misconduct report from the SFSD. The report alleged that Ramey, a licensed Oregon educator and elementary teacher

at Robert Frost Elementary School (RFES) in the SFSD, engaged in professional misconduct. Specifically, the report alleges that on April 25, 2023, Ramey reported for work under the influence of alcohol. Additionally, SFSD attempted to transport Ramey to a clinic for a drug screening, but she refused.

3. Investigation by the SFSD and TSPC determined the following:

- On April 25, 2023, Ramey reported for work at RFES.
- During a brief encounter with the interim principal of RFES, the principal smelled alcohol coming from Ramey's person.
- Additional SFSD administrative staff responded to RFES and began interacting with Ramey.
- The responding administrative staff noted additional behavioral indicators of intoxication, including slurred speech, withdrawn and depressive emotions, unresponsiveness, erratic behavior, extreme talkativeness, inappropriate verbal response to questioning and instruction, and extreme aggressiveness and agitation.
- Based on this, administrative staff attempted to transport Ramey to a clinic for a drug and alcohol screening test.
- Once at the clinic, Ramey contacted a rideshare service and departed the clinic campus.
- Later in the day on April 25, 2023, the SFSD placed Ramey on administrative leave.
- On April 27, 2023, Ramey resigned her position with the SFSD with immediate effect.

4. On April 9, 2026, TSPC investigative staff sent Ramey a Request to Interview Letter to the last address of record on file with the Commission. The letter was sent both regular and certified mail and was assumed delivered. Ramey never responded to this letter and did not participate in an interview with a TSPC investigator. As of the writing of this Default Order, TSPC has yet to hear from Ramey.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The conduct described in section three (3) above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(g) (Appearing on duty or at any district-sponsored activity while under the influence of alcohol, marijuana or any controlled substance); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use professional judgment), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations).

The conduct described in section four (4) above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342-175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(p) (Subject to the exercise of any legal right or privilege, failure or refusal by an educator under investigation to respond to requests for information, to furnish documents or to participate in interviews with a Commission representative relating to a Commission investigation).

The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS 342.175.

FINAL ORDER

The Commission hereby issues a ninety (90) day suspension and three (3) years probation upon reinstatement on Ramey's Oregon educator license. Additionally, the Commission requires a Drug/Alcohol evaluation and completion of any recommended chemical dependency treatment as a condition of reinstatement.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 21 day of September, 2026.

TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

By: 
Rachel Alpert, Executive Director

NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS 183.482 TO THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.