

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
DYLAN G. FRANCESCONI	)	PROBATION

On July 16, 2026, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Dylan G. Francesconi (Francesconi) in which the Commission charged him with Gross Neglect of Duty. The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 9589 0710 5270 3980 5871 17 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. The signed Certified Mail receipt was returned to the Commission on August July 29, 2026. The First Class Mail was not returned and assumed to be delivered. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated July 16, 2026, and 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.”

Francesconi did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Francesconi 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. Dylan G. Francesconi has been licensed since March 4, 2020. Francesconi held a Preliminary Teaching License with an endorsement in Music (PK-12), valid from July 1, 2022, through September 2, 2025. During all relevant times, Francesconi was employed by the Baker School District (BSD).
2. On May 19, 2023, the Commission received information from Oregon’s Department of Human Services (DHS), with allegations that Francesconi made unwanted physical

touches and had inappropriate conversation with a female foreign exchange student at Baker High School, BSD. On May 22, 2023, the Commission received information from DHS, with additional details related to the same allegation as were previously provided by DHS.

On June 12, 2023, the Commission receive a School District Misconduct Report from the BSD, alleging Francesconi sexually harassed the exchange student and demonstrated a pattern of actions and behavior with the student which met the criteria for sexual conduct.

3. Investigation found that during the 2022-23 school year, Francesconi met the eighteen (18) year-old female exchange student from Europe who attended Baker High School, through the exchange student's host family. The exchange student talked with Francesconi and agreed to sing with the school bands, and Francesconi began to develop a teacher/student relationship.
4. Investigation found that as the 2022-23 school year progressed, Francesconi's relationship with the exchange student became closer and more personal. On several occasions on unspecified dates during the school year, Francesconi touched the exchange student's leg, back, and shoulders; hugged her; and kissed her on the top of the of her head and on her cheek. During the school year, Francesconi and the exchange student communicated with each other through Snapchat. Francesconi referred to the exchange student as more of a friend than a student. Francesconi was often alone with the exchange student in his classroom, discussing the exchange student's personal life which included topics related to mental health issues she was having. During Francesconi's Commission interview, he admitted he drove the exchange student to her home from band practice in his automobile, Francesconi's relationship with the exchange student was flirtatious, and Francesconi was interested in possibly pursuing a relationship with the exchange student after she left school. Francesconi also made the following statements:

- *“I was doing my best to maintain boundaries because I knew that while she’s technically not a student of mine, but she is a student and I’m a teacher, so it’s a gray area...”*
 - *“I gotta keep myself behaved.” Then said, “Up until both of us are outta here, and then maybe there’s something that can, that can happen there.”*
5. Investigation found that earlier 2023, Francesconi notified the BSD of his intention to not return the following school year. In mid-May 2023, the BSD placed Francesconi on administrative leave. Francesconi did not return to the school and he separated from the district at the end of June 2023.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Dylan G. Francesconi’s conduct as described section four (4) above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); 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*), and 584-020-0030(2)(b) (*Skill in communicating with administrators, students, staff, parents, and other patrons*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D) (*Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times*).

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

FINAL ORDER

The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a six (6) month Suspension upon Dylan G. Francesconi’s Oregon educator license.

Furthermore, the Commission imposes a four (4) year period of Probation upon Francesconi’s license to commence upon reinstatement of Francesconi’s license and subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to reinstatement, Francesconi shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training on teacher/student boundaries and shall provide evidence of this to

the Commission.

2. Francesconi shall comply with the Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance of Oregon Educators under Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 584, Division 020.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 1 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.