

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

In the Matter of the)
Educator License of)
MEGAN A. TORRES)
STIPULATION OF FACTS AND
FINAL ORDER OF SURRENDER
AND REVOCATION OF LICENSURE

On May 31, 2024, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) received information from the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) reporting that Megan A. Torres (Torres) may have committed an act of gross neglect of duty and/or gross unfitness.

After review of the matters alleged, Torres and the Commission agree that their respective interests, together with the public interest, are best served by a stipulation to certain facts, the acceptance of Torres's voluntary surrender of her Oregon educator license and the revocation of her Oregon educator license.

This Order sets forth the facts upon which the parties have agreed and the sanction to be imposed. Torres stipulates that there are sufficient facts contained in the Commission's files and records to support the findings of fact, and conclusions of law set forth below. In entering into this stipulation, Torres waives the right to a notice of hearing, and the right to a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law and order set forth below.

By signing below, Torres acknowledges, understands, stipulates, and agrees to the following: (i) she has been fully advised of her rights to notice and a hearing to contest the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order set forth below, and fully and finally waives all such rights and any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation of Facts and Final Order of Surrender and Revocation (Stipulation and Final Order); (ii) this Stipulation and Final Order is a public document and disclosed to the public upon request by the Commission; (iii) this Stipulation and Final Order is contingent upon and subject to approval and adoption by the Commission. If the Commission does not approve and adopt this Stipulation and Final Order, then neither Torres nor the Commission are bound by the terms herein; (iv) she has fully read this Stipulation and Final Order, and understands it completely; (v) she voluntarily, without any force or duress, enters into this Stipulation and Final Order and consents to issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below; (vi) she states that no promises or representation has been made to induce her to sign this Stipulation and Final Order; and (vii) she has consulted with an attorney regarding this Stipulation and Final Order and has been fully advised with regard to her rights thereto, or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering into this Stipulation and Final Order and issuance and entry of the Stipulated Final Order below. In

1 entering into this stipulation, Torres waives the right to a hearing to contest the findings of fact,
2 conclusions of law and order set forth below.

4 **STIPULATION OF FACTS**

- 5 1. The Commission has licensed Torres since August 29, 2006. Torres currently
6 holds a Professional Teaching License with an endorsement for Art (PK-12 &
7 PreK-12). The license was issued on August 26, 2020 and expires on September
8 10, 2025. During all relevant times, Torres was employed by the Cascade School
9 District (CSD).
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11 2. On May 31, 2024, the Commission received an Oregon Department of Human
12 Services (DHS) cross report. On June 17, 2024, the Commission received a
13 School District Misconduct Report from the CSD. The reports alleges that Torres,
14 a licensed educator, engaged in professional misconduct. Specifically, the DHS
15 report alleges that Torres engaged in a sexually inappropriate relationship with a
16 Cascade High School (CHS) student (Student A) during the 2020-2021 school
17 year. Student A was 17-years-old at the time and Torres was 44-years-old.
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19 3. Investigation by TSPC, DHS, CSD, and the Marion County Sheriff's Office
20 (MCSO) determined the following:
 - 21 • This matter was reported to DHS in May of 2024.
 - 22 • The district became aware of the report on or about May 31, 2024 and
23 placed Torres on administrative leave while this matter was investigated.
 - 24 • On June 3, 2024 Student A was interviewed by detectives from the MCSO.
 - 25 • During this interview, Student A reports that during the 2020-2021 school
26 year, (he was a high school Junior) Torres began flirting with him.
 - 27 • Student A reported that he once sent photos of him swimming to Torres,
28 and Torres responded with "I'd like to swim with you once you're 18."
 - 29 • Student A reported that Torres told him that she loved him.
 - 30 • Student A reported that Torres began exchanging emails with him, which
31 included explicit photos.

- Student A reported that the messaging started over school email, then moved to personal email, then to Snapchat.
- Student A reported to MCSO detectives that Torres invited him over to her home multiple times.
- Student A reported that he never went to Torres' home and eventually told her that things needed to stop.
- Student A reported that once he requested that things stop, Torres stopped.
- Student A provided copies of some of the messages exchanged between himself and Torres to the MCSO.
- The MCSO forwarded this matter to the Marion County District Attorneys Office, who declined to pursue criminal charges.

4. In June of 2025, the Torres resigned her position with the district.

5. On May 29, 2025, TSPC investigative staff attempted to interview Torres. Prior to the scheduled interview TSPC received the following email from Torres' attorney:

"My client, Megan Torres, has decided not to participate in an interview with TSPC at this time. We are still awaiting a decision from the District on its internal investigation which we had hoped to have by now.

Ms. Torres is aware that not participating in the TSPC interview may lead to disciplinary action."

6. On July 22, 2025, the Commission was contacted by Torres' attorney who relayed that Torres wanted to voluntarily surrender her Oregon teaching license via a Stipulated Order.

IT IS SO STIPULATED:

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4 Megan A. Torres

11/10/25
Date

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8 Cristina Edgar, Professional Practices Director
9 Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

1/12/2026
Date

10 ERIC JAROCIT

11 CONCLUSION OF LAW

12 The conduct described above in section three (3) constitutes gross neglect of
13 duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(f) (Any sexual conduct
14 with a student) as defined by OAR 584-020-0005(8) and ORS 339.370(12)(a); OAR
15 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(1) (Recognize the worth
16 and dignity of all persons and respect for each individual), OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use
17 professional judgment), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (Using district lawful and
18 reasonable rules and regulations; OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR
19 584-020-0035(1)(b) (Refrain from exploiting professional relationships with any
20 student for personal gain, or in support of persons or issues), OAR 584-020-
21 0035(1)(c)(A) (Not demonstrating or expressing professionally inappropriate interest
22 in a student's personal life), and OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D) (Honoring appropriate
23 adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times), and OAR
24 584-020-0040(4) (q) Unauthorized use of school electronic equipment to received,
25 store, produce or send sexually explicit materials.

26 The conduct described in section five (5) above constitutes gross neglect
27 of duty in violation of ORS 342-175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(p) (Subject to the
28 exercise of any legal right or privilege, failure or refusal by an educator under
29 investigation to respond to requests for information, to furnish documents or to
30 participate in interviews with a Commission representative relating to a Commission
31 investigation).

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33 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
34 342.175.

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2 **ORDER**

3 The Commission adopts the above Stipulation of Facts and hereby accepts the surrender
4 of Megan A. Torres' Oregon educator license and revokes Megan A. Torres' Oregon educator
5 license.

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7 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 6th day of February 2026, ~~November, 2025~~.

8 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

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10 By: Rachel Alpert
11 Rachel Alpert, Executive Director
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