

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

In the Matter of the	)	DEFAULT ORDER OF
Educator License of	)	SUSPENSION OF RIGHT
TIMOTHY P. HOOVER	)	TO APPLY AND PROBATION

On September 3, 2026, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Timothy P. Hoover (Hoover) 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 5877 59 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 Certified Mail return for the Notice sent Certified Mail was returned signed to the Commission on September 14, 2026. The Notice sent First-Class mail was not returned to the Commission and assumed delivered. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated September 3, 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, OR 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.”

Hoover did not request a hearing. Therefore, the Commission finds Hoover 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 Timothy P. Hoover since April 12, 2023. Hoover held a Reciprocal Teaching License, with an endorsement in Social Studies (PK-12), valid from December 29, 2023, through December 29, 2024. Hoover also held a Restricted Substitute Teaching License, with an endorsement in Substitute (PK-12), valid from April 12, 2023, through June 30, 2024. During all relevant times, Hoover was

employed by the High Desert Education Service District (ESD) and on assignment at Summit High School, Bend-La Pine School District (BLSD).

2. On September 4, 2024, the Commission received a School District Misconduct Report from the High Desert ESD with the allegation that on September 4, 2024, Hoover was under the influence of an intoxicant during school hours at Summit High School, BLSD.
3. Investigation found that at approximately 9:30 am on September 4, 2024, the first day of school for freshman students at Summit High School, the High Desert ESD received information that two administrators at Summit High School noticed the strong smell of alcohol on Hoover's breath. Based on the district's policy of reasonable suspicion, the administrators escorted Hoover to a nearby medical clinic for testing to determine if he was under the influence of an intoxicant. At the clinic, Hoover took a breathalyzer test at approximately 10:16 am, which recorded his blood alcohol concentration (BAC) at 0.089. At approximately 10:33 am, Hoover took a second breathalyzer test which recorded his BAC at 0.093.
4. Investigation found that on September 4, 2024, the High Desert ESD terminated Hoover's employment.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Timothy P. Hoover's conduct, as described in section three (3) 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*), and OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (*Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations*); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(g) (*Appearing on duty or at any district-sponsored activity while under the influence of alcohol or any controlled substance*).

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

FINAL ORDER

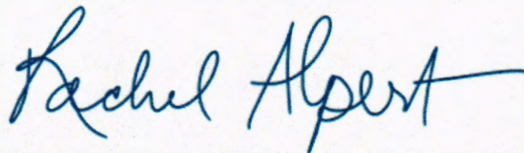
The Commission adopts and incorporates herein the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, and based thereon, imposes a Suspension of ninety (90) days upon Timothy P. Hoover's right to apply for an Oregon educator license.

Furthermore, the Commission imposes a period of three (3) four of probation upon Hoover's licensure to begin upon reinstatement of his Oregon educator license and subject to the following conditions:

1. Hoover shall comply with the Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance of Oregon Educators under Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 584, Division 020.
2. Prior to reinstatement, Hoover shall complete a substance abuse evaluation from a Commission-approved provider and provide evidence of completion or continuing participation in any recommended follow-on treatment.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 2 day of October, 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.