

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

In the Matter of the)
Teaching License of)
DONALD ANTHONY CASH) **DEFAULT ORDER**
) **REVOKING LICENSE**

On September 26, 1996, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission informed Donald Anthony Cash that the Commission found sufficient evidence of violation of Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance of Oregon Educators to warrant a hearing regarding his inappropriate use of school district computer equipment to access inappropriate materials through the internet and permitting students to review obscene and nude pictures on the computer in his classroom at Pilot Rock High School. The letter and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing was mailed U.S. First Class and U. S. Certified Mail--Return Receipt Requested. The certified mail receipt #P 196 851 031 was returned as unclaimed. However, the U. S. First Class mail was not returned to TSPC. On October 22, 1996, TSPC received a letter together with Cash's teaching license. The letter stated that Cash was relinquishing his license and waiving his right to hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Donald Anthony Cash holds a Standard Teaching License endorsed for Technology Education and Manufacturing Technology valid from March 11, 1996 to April 3, 2001.
2. Cash submitted his resignation from a teaching position with Pilot Rock School District during an investigation regarding allegations that he had accessed inappropriate materials through the Internet on the school district's computer equipment.
3. Cash permitted students at Pilot Rock High School to review obscene and nude pictures on Cash's computer in his classroom at Pilot Rock High School.
4. Cash talked with students about the pictures and instructed students on getting this type of material for themselves from the Internet.

ULTIMATE FINDINGS OF FACT

Donald Anthony Cash knowingly used school materials and equipment for personal purposes.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Donald Anthony Cash's behavior violates the Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance of Oregon Educators, OAR 584-20-040 and constitutes gross neglect of duty.

1 ORDER

2 The Commission accepts the surrender and revokes the Oregon Standard Teaching
3 License #251516 valid for technology education and manufacturing technology and
4 issued from March 11, 1996 through April 3, 2001, for knowing and substantial
5 unauthorized use of school equipment for personal purposes and providing obscene
6 and nude materials to students.

7 Dated this 12th day of December, 1996.

8 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

9 By: David V. Myton
10 David V. Myton, Executive Secretary

11 DVM/cs

12 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

13 I hereby certify that I served the foregoing order by mailing a true copy thereof
14 certified by me as such by U. S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail with Return
15 Receipt Requested to:



19 Dated this 13th day of December, 1996.

20 By: Charlene A. Smith
21 Charlene A. Smith
22 Secretary to the Commission

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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.