

1 District student during a road rage incident occurring on April 4, 2013. On June 12,
2 2013, the Commission received a report from the Hillsboro School District alleging
3 Clevenger violated professional standards and practices as related to the same
4 incident. The resulting district, law enforcement, and Commission investigations
5 determined that on April 4, 2013, while Clevenger was employed as a teacher at
6 Liberty High School, Clevenger physically assaulted a seventeen year old student
7 (AH) by striking AH multiple times in the face with his fists. Prior to Clevenger
8 assaulting AH, Clevenger was involved in a "road rage" incident where Clevenger
9 reportedly was tailgating AH aggressively, then passed AH unsafely and swerved into
10 AH's vehicle causing a motor vehicle accident. Witnesses reported AH pulled over to
11 the side of the road, and Clevenger stopped in front of AH's vehicle, approached AH
12 and attempted to forcibly remove him from his vehicle. Clevenger reportedly yanked
13 the driver's side door open and began punching AH in the face while Clevenger
14 yelled "Are you fucking playing games with me?" After assaulting AH, Clevenger fled
15 the scene of the crash. A witness to the incident followed Clevenger home and
16 contacted police.

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- 18 3. As the result of Clevenger's conduct in paragraph two (2), Clevenger was arrested
19 and charged with criminal conduct including Assault 4, a class A misdemeanor,
20 Harassment, a class B misdemeanor, Failure to perform the duties of a driver, a class
21 A misdemeanor, Recklessly Endangering Another, a class A misdemeanor, Reckless
22 Driving, a class A misdemeanor, and Criminal Mischief 2, a class A misdemeanor.
23 On September 12, 2013, Clevenger pled guilty and was convicted of Assault 4,
24 Recklessly Endangering Another, and Criminal Mischief charges. Clevenger was
25 sentenced to pay fines, serve two years probation, 100 hours of community service,
26 and Clevenger's driver's license was suspended for a period of 90 days.

28 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

29 Clevenger's conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in in violation
30 of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(1)
31 (*Recognize the worth and dignity of all persons and respect for each individual*), OAR 584-

1 020-0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-0030(3)(d) (*Skill in reconciling*
2 *conflict*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(3)(a) (*Maintain*
3 *the dignity of the profession by respecting and obeying the law, exemplifying personal*
4 *integrity and honesty*); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(d) (*Unreasonable physical force*
5 *against students, fellow employees, or visitors to the school, except as permitted under*
6 *ORS 339.250*). This conduct also constitutes gross unfitness in violation of ORS
7 342.175(1)(c); OAR 584-020-0040(5)(c) (*Conviction of violating any federal, state, or*
8 *local law. A conviction includes any final judgment of conviction by a court whether as the*
9 *result of guilty plea, no contest plea or any other means*), and OAR 584-020-0040(5)(e)
10 (*Admission of, or engaging in acts constituting criminal conduct, even in the absence of a*
11 *criminal conviction*).

12 Furthermore, the conduct described above establishes that Clevenger does not
13 possess good moral character required to hold a license under ORS 342.143(2). OAR 584-
14 020-0040(3)(a) (*The Commission may initiate proceedings to suspend or revoke the*
15 *license or registration of an educator under ORS 342.175 or deny a license or registration*
16 *to an applicant under 342.143 who: Has been convicted of a crime not listed in section (1)*
17 *of this rule, if the Commission finds that the nature of the act or acts constituting the crime*
18 *for which the educator was convicted render the educator unfit to hold a license*).

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20 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
21 342.175.

22 FINAL ORDER

23 The Commission hereby revokes Bruce Patrick Clevenger's educator License.
24 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 31st day of October, 2014.

25 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION



26 By: _____
27 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
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1 NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS

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