



- 1 2. On January 26, 2009, Panattoni recounted to BH, a co-worker at Crook County  
2 Middle School, that her foster child, AA, attempted to cut himself. Panattoni told  
3 BH that AA was using the metal on a pencil that holds the eraser in place to cut  
4 himself. Panattoni told AA that he was cutting himself the wrong way and  
5 showed him how to cut himself the right way. Panattoni stated that she then  
6 provided AA with additional pencils missing their erasers so that he would have  
7 similar metal to cut himself with. Panattoni further expressed to her co-worker  
8 that she hoped the state would remove AA from her custody. Panattoni's co-  
9 workers described her demeanor as lacking compassion toward AA.  
10 Furthermore Panattoni's co-worker recounted that she described AA taking food  
11 at home as stealing food from her.
- 12 3. Panattoni previously spoke with MJ, the Dean of Students on January 23, 2009,  
13 and stated that she would provide AA with razor blades with which to cut himself  
14 to see if he would cut himself in your presence and whether he was doing so to  
15 gain attention.
- 16 4. AA was interviewed by his counselor DB on January 23, 2009. During that  
17 interview AA reported that Panattoni called him "fucking idiot," "you're stupid,"  
18 "scum of the earth," "disgrace to humans," and "go to your fucking room."

### 19 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

20 Linda Joyce Panattoni's above described conduct independently or together  
21 constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-  
22 0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(1) (*Recognize the worth and dignity of*  
23 *all persons and respect for each individual*), OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use professional*  
24 *judgment*). This conduct also constitutes gross unfitness under ORS 342.175(1)(c); OAR  
25 584-020-0040(5)(e) (*Admission of or engaging in acts constituting criminal conduct,*  
26 *even in the absence of a conviction*) specifically, ORS 419b.005(B) (*Any mental injury to*  
27 *a child, which shall include only observable and substantial impairment of the child's*  
28 *mental or psychological ability to function caused by cruelty to the child, with due regard*  
29 *to the culture of the child, and ORS 419b.005(G) (Threatened harm to a child, which*  
30 *means subjecting a child to a substantial risk of harm to the child's health or welfare).*

31 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon


1 ORS 342.175.

2 **FINAL ORDER**

3 The Commission hereby revokes Linda Joyce Panattoni's Initial I Teaching  
4 License.

5 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011.

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7 **TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

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10 By:   
11 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director  
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16 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**

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