

1 BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION
2 OF THE STATE OF OREGON
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4 In the Matter of the) DEFAULT ORDER OF
5 Teaching License of) REVOCATION OF LICENSE
6 LINDSAY RAE WHITE)
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8 On July 8, 2008, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a
9 Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Lindsay Rae White in which the Commission charged her with
10 gross neglect of duty under ORS 342.143. The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S.
11 Certified Mail Receipt 7006 2760 0000 1638 6817 to the address Ms. White provided to the
12 Commission. The U.S. First Class Mail receipt was returned to the Commission on July 11, 2008,
13 signed by Ms. Lindsay. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated July 8, 2008, and signed by
14 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director, stated:

15 You, Lindsay Rae White, are entitled to a hearing on the proposed action of the
16 Commission. If you want a hearing, you must file a written request for a hearing with
17 the Commission within 21 days of the date of this notice. Attached to this notice is a
18 copy of the procedures, right of representation and other rights of parties relating to the
19 conduct of a hearing as required under ORS 183.413(2).
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21 Ms. White did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Ms. White to be in
22 default and enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and order, based on the
23 files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.

24 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 25 1. During the 2006-2007 school year while working for the Hillsboro School District you, while
26 intoxicated, called or sent a text message to student NM inviting her to a party at your home. This
27 conduct constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it
28 incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D). (Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students
29 in conduct and conversations at all times), OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) ("Substantial deviation from
30 professional standards of competency set forth in OAR 584-020-0010 through 584-020-0030") as
31 it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) ("Use professional judgment").
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- 2 2. Following your invitation, student NM attended this party at your home. While NM was there
- 3 many of the individuals present consumed alcohol or drugs. Another student, DK, was also
- 4 present. This conduct constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as
- 5 it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D). (Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students
- 6 in conduct and conversations at all times), OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) ("Substantial deviation from
- 7 professional standards of competency set forth in OAR 584-020-0010 through 584-020-0030"), as
- 8 it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) ("Use professional judgment").
- 9 3. Some time during the party, you engaged in kissing and other sexual contact (making out) with
- 10 student DK. You subsequently went into your room with DK and closed the door, where you
- 11 remained for approximately 15 minutes. This conduct constitutes gross neglect of duty in
- 12 violation of OAR 584-020-0040(4)(f). (Any sexual conduct with a student as defined in OAR 584-
- 13 020-0005(5)(a) to (d), OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o), as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D).
- 14 (Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times),
- 15 OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) ("Substantial deviation from professional standards of competency set
- 16 forth in OAR 584-020-0010 through 584-020-0030") as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5)
- 17 ("Use professional judgment").

18 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

19 Ms. White failed to maintain an appropriate student teacher relationship. This conduct violates OAR

20 584-020-0040(4)(o), as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(1)(c)(D). Ms. White engaged in

21 inappropriate physical contact with a student. This conduct constitutes Gross Neglect of Duty as it

22 incorporates OAR 584-020-0040(4)(f). The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter

23 is based upon ORS 342.175.

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1 **ORDER**

2 The Commission hereby revokes Lindsay Rae White's teaching license.

3 IT IS SO ORDERED this 11th day of August, 2008.

4 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

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6 By: 

7 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
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9 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**

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