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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)	
CERTIFICATE OF)	OPP No. D12-12-092
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ELI GODBOLT)	FINAL ORDER OF
Certificate No. 443843H)	MANDATORY PERMANENT
)	REVOCATION

COMES NOW the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), under the authority granted by the laws of the state of Washington, having reviewed the file of the above-referenced case, and having considered the entire evidence contained therein, does hereby permanently revoke the Washington Education Certificate, No. 443843H, of Eli Godbolt, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Eli Godbolt was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 443843H, on April 4, 2007. That certificate currently remains valid.
2. Eli Godbolt was employed by the Federal Way School District.

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3. On December 24, 2012, the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, did receive a complaint letter from the Superintendent of the Federal Way School District alleging a lack of personal fitness, or a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 181-87, by Eli Godbolt.

4. During the 2010-2011 school year, Eli Godbolt engaged in an inappropriate relationship with V. P., a 16-year-old female student of the Federal Way School District; Federal Way Police Department Case #12-12254.

5. On June 29, 2011, Eli Godbolt kissed V.P. in his classroom at Todd Beamer High School; Federal Way Police Department Case #12-12254.

6. During the 2011-2012 school year, Eli Godbolt exchanged numerous personal text messages with V.P. and scheduled meetings at a park where they kissed; Federal Way Police Department Case #12-12254.

7. On or about September 16/17, 2011, Eli Godbolt invited V.P. to his personal residence and had sexual intercourse with V.P.; Federal Way Police Department Case #12-12254.

8. In October of 2011 and again on February 4, 2012, Eli Godbolt had sexual intercourse with V.P. ; Federal Way Police Department Case #12-12254.

9. On October 1, 2012, Eli Godbolt was placed on Administrative Leave.

10. On October 31, 2012, an Information and Probable Cause Sheet were filed in King County Superior Court charging Eli Godbolt with Sexual Misconduct with a Minor in the First Degree, Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 9A.44.093 (b) Count I, and Sexual Misconduct with a Minor in the First Degree, (RCW) 9A.44.093 Count II; King County Superior Court Cause #12-1-06476-4 KNT.

11. On December 20, 2012, Eli Godbolt resigned from the Federal Way School District.

12. On March 21, 2013, Eli Godbolt pled guilty to One (1) Count of Sexual Misconduct with a Minor First Degree, RCW 9A.44.093.

13. On April 1, 2013, OPP sent Eli Godbolt a letter at the King County Jail/Regional Detention Center, Booking No. 213007649, notifying him of his opportunity to respond to the allegations of misconduct. Eli Godbolt did not respond.

14. On April 26, 2013, Eli Godbolt was sentenced to 12 months in the King County Jail.

15. Eli Godbolt has pleaded guilty or been convicted of a crime identified in Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 28A.410.090(3). Such a plea or conviction authorizes OSPI to permanently revoke the Education Certificate.

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16. Good moral character and personal fitness is a continuing requirement to maintain a Washington Education Certificate.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Eli Godbolt and over the subject matter of this action.

2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that the Washington Education Certificate No. 443843H, of Eli Godbolt, should be revoked for unprofessional conduct and/or lack of good moral character or personal fitness. RCW 28A.410.090; WAC 181-86-075; WAC 181-87-(Code of Conduct WAC); WAC 181-86-013; WAC 181-86-014.

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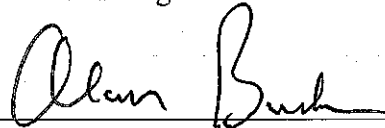
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ORDER

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 443843H, of Eli Godbolt be permanently revoked.

DATED This 13 day of June, 2013.

RANDY I. DORN
Superintendent of Public Instruction
State of Washington

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan Burke". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Alan Burke, Ed. D
Deputy Superintendent
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