



SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)
CERTIFICATE OF)

OPP No. D03-07-070

Joseph DeBruyne)
Certificate No. 260980H)

AGREED ORDER
OF SUSPENSION

COMES NOW the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, 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 stipulate by and between the Office of Professional Practices (OPP), Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), and Joseph DeBruyne, that the Washington Education Certificate, No 260980H, of Joseph DeBruyne, shall be suspended, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDING OF FACTS

1. Joseph DeBruyne was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 260980H, on July 6, 1984 . That certificate currently remains valid.
2. Joseph DeBruyne is employed by the Olympia School District.

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3. On July 7, 2003, the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, received a complaint letter from the Superintendent of the Olympia School District alleging a lack of good moral character or personal fitness, or a violation of the Code of Professional Conduct, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 180-87, by Joseph DeBruyne.

4. On June 5, 2003, Joseph DeBruyne displayed a starter pistol to his class as a prop for his lesson on perception. He received a one-year suspension from the School District for this action. This suspension was upheld in arbitration.

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

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Joseph DeBruyne and over the subject matter of this action.

2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that Washington Education Certificate, No. 260980H, of Joseph DeBruyne, should be suspended as provided for in WAC 180-86-070.

3. Joseph DeBruyne has violated: WAC 180-87.

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ORDER

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered and agreed that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 260980H, of Joseph DeBruyne, be suspended for twelve (12) months from September 1, 2003 until August 31, 2004.

Reinstatement will require the successful completion of any evaluation ordered by the Olympia School District, which verifies Joseph DeBruyne's fitness to have unsupervised access to children, and a signed release to allow OPP to have access to the results of said evaluation.

Reinstatement shall also require submission of a new application, provided by OPP and having Joseph DeBruyne's fingerprints be checked by both the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Washington State Patrol (WSP).

DATED This 24th day of May, 2004.

DR. TERRY BERGESON
Superintendent of Public Instruction
State of Washington

Stipulated to and approved

For entry:

Joseph DeBruyne
Joseph DeBruyne, Respondent

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