



SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)
CERTIFICATE OF)
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Ryan Smith)
Certificate No. 374871B)
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OPP No. D08-06-046 AUG 11 2008

AGREED ORDER OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES
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 Ryan Smith, that the Washington Education Certificate, No.374871B, of Ryan Smith, shall be suspended, based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth below:

FINDING OF FACTS

1. Ryan Smith was issued a Washington Education Certificate, No. 374871B, on January 10, 2000. That certificate currently remains valid.

2. Ryan Smith is employed by the East Valley School District.

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3. On June 20, 2008, the Office of Professional Practices, within OSPI, received a complaint letter from the superintendent of the East Valley 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) 181-87, by Ryan Smith.

4. On September 2, 2003, Ryan Smith signed the District Electronic Information System Staff Network Agreement Policy No. 2022F.

5. From April 14, 2008, through May 29, 2008, Ryan Smith used his assigned school district computer to access and view sexually explicit images.

6. On or about May 29, 2008, Brian Wallace, district information technology manager, discovered that Ryan Smith was using his school computer to access multiple web sites with sexually explicit images.

7. On May 29, 2008, Ryan Smith was placed on administrative leave by Assistant Principal Jan Beauchamp.

8. During an interview with East Valley School District officials on May 30, 2008, Ryan Smith confessed to accessing and viewing sexually explicit images and playing erotic games on his assigned school district computer.

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9. On July 24, 2008, a statement was given to an OPP investigator by Ryan Smith. Ryan Smith admitted to knowing there was a district policy regarding internet usage, admitted that he visited these sites on school property with a district computer and that those sites were inappropriate.

10. Good moral character and personal fitness is a continuing requirement to maintain a Washington education certificate.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. OSPI has jurisdiction over Ryan Smith and over the subject matter of this action.

2. OSPI has shown by clear and convincing evidence that Washington education certificate, No. 374871B, of Ryan Smith, should be suspended as provided for in WAC 181-86-070.

3. Ryan Smith has violated WAC 181-86-013, WAC 181-86-014, and WAC 181-87-060.

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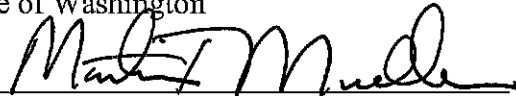
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ORDER


THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered and agreed that the Washington Education Certificate, No. 374871B, of Ryan Smith, be suspended for four (4) months from the date of entry of this Order.

DATED This 19th day of SEPT., 2008.

DR. TERRY BERGESON
Superintendent of Public Instruction
State of Washington

By: 
Martin T. Mueller
Assistant Superintendent
Student Support

Stipulated to and approved
for entry; notice of presentation
waived:



Ryan Smith, Respondent