



SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

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RE: Chad Lee
OSPI Case Number: D16-07-042
Document: Final Order of Revocation

Regarding your request for information about the above-named educator; attached is a true and correct copy of the document on file with the State of Washington, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Office of Professional Practices. These records are considered certified by the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

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The following information has been withheld: **None**

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IN THE MATTER OF THE EDUCATION)	
CERTIFICATE OF)	OPP No. D16-07-042
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CHAD LEE)	FINAL ORDER OF
Certificate No. 409267B)	REVOCATION
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INTRODUCTION

After receiving and investigating a complaint from Franklin Pierce School District (“the School District”) regarding the above referenced educator, and based upon the facts available as of the date of this Proposed Order, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, through his undersigned designee, institutes this proceeding and finds, as described below, that CHAD LEE (“the Educator”) engaged in acts of unprofessional conduct to include Washington Administrative Code (“WAC”) 181-86-013(2), and does hereby REVOKE Washington Education certificate, No. 409267B, of Chad Lee, based on the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On July 14, 2003, the Educator was issued a Residency Teacher Certificate, No. 409267B. That certificate currently remains valid, with no expiration date.

Criminal Investigation and Prosecution

2. On June 13, 2016, the Educator was arrested by the Bainbridge Island Police Department for the criminal charge of child molestation in the second degree (domestic violence) (RCW 9A.44.089).

3. On June 15, 2016, an Information and Statement of Probable Cause were filed in the Superior Court of Washington for Kitsap County, Cause # 16-1-00767-6, accusing the Educator of the crime of child molestation in the second degree (RCW 9A.44.086).
4. On October 18, 2016, a First Amended Information was filed in the Superior Court of Washington for Kitsap County, Cause # 16-1-00767-6, amending the charges to communication with a minor for immoral purposes (RCW 9A.68A.090(1)).
5. On October 18, 2016, the Educator executed a plea agreement, by entering a plea of guilty to the criminal charges of communication with a minor for immoral purposes (RCW 9A.68A.090(1)).
6. On October 18, 2016, the Educator was sentenced to 364 days confinement with 274 days suspended for one year on the crime of communication with a minor for immoral purposes, to be served in Kitsap County Jail.
7. On November 7, 2016, the Office of Professional Practices within the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (“OSPI”) received a written statement from the Educator. The Educator denies the criminal allegations, but stated he agreed to a plea agreement on recommendation of his attorney.
8. The Educator has pleaded guilty to a criminal misdemeanor with sexual motivation against a minor. The Educator is required to register as a sex offender. Such a plea authorizes OSPI to revoke Washington Education Certificate No. 409267B, of Chad Lee, because the Educator lacks good moral character or personal fitness which is a requirement to obtain and maintain certification. WAC 181-86-075(2).

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Chapter 28A.410 RCW gives the Professional Educator Standards Board the authority to develop regulations determining eligibility for and certification of personnel employed in the common schools of the state of Washington. OSPI acts as the administrator of those statutes and regulations and has the authority to issue, reprimand, suspend, and revoke education certificates. RCW 28A.410.010; RCW 28A.410.090. Chapters 181-86 and 181-87 WAC further implement OPSI's authority.
2. OSPI has jurisdiction over the Educator and the subject matter discussed herein.
3. The Educator lacks good moral character and personal fitness pursuant to WAC 181-86-013 and WAC 181-86-014, based on the Educator's plea of guilty to a criminal misdemeanor with sexual motivation against a minor. The Educator is required to register as a sex offender.
4. There is clear and convincing evidence that the Educator is not of good moral character or personal fitness. WAC 181-86-170.
5. Pursuant to WAC 181-86-080 eleven (11) factors, at a minimum, are to be considered to determine the appropriate level and range of educator discipline:
 1. The seriousness of the act(s) and the actual or potential harm to persons or property;
 2. The person's criminal history including the seriousness and amount of activity;
 3. The age and maturity level of participant(s) at the time of the activity;
 4. The proximity or remoteness of time in which the acts occurred;
 5. Any activity that demonstrates a disregard for health, safety or welfare;
 6. Any activity that demonstrates a behavioral problem;
 7. Any activity that demonstrates a lack of fitness;
 8. Any information submitted regarding discipline imposed by any governmental or private entity as a result of acts or omissions;
 9. Any information submitted that demonstrates aggravating or mitigating circumstances;
 10. Any information submitted to support character and fitness; and
 11. Any other relevant information submitted.

6. Based on the foregoing facts and considering them in light of the eleven factors enumerated in WAC 181-86-080, and in light of WAC 181-86-075, WAC 181-86-013, and WAC 181-86-014, Chad Lee's education certificate should be revoked for unprofessional conduct and a misdemeanor offense with sexual motivation against a minor.

III. ORDER

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that Washington Education Certificate No. 409267B of Chad Lee be revoked.

DATED This 18th day of January, 2017.

RANDY I. DORN
Superintendent of Public Instruction
State of Washington

Signed: Dierk Meierbachtol
Chief Legal Officer
Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction