

1                   BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION  
2   OF THE STATE OF OREGON  
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4 In the Matter of the Educator                    )        DEFAULT ORDER OF  
5 License of    )        PUBLIC REPRIMAND  
6 RYAN C. HARRINGTON                            )        

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9           On June 3, 2020, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission)  
10 issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Ryan C. Harrington (Harrington) in which the  
11 Commission charged him with Gross Neglect of Duty. The Notice was sent via U.S. First  
12 Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 7018 1830 0001 6178 2980 to the address on file  
13 with the Commission. The Notice designated the Commission file as the record for purposes  
14 of proving a prima facie case. The Certified Mail receipt was returned to the Commission  
15 signed. The first class mail was not returned to the Commission and assumed delivered. The  
16 Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated June 3, 2020, and signed by Anthony Rosilez,  
17 Executive Director, stated:

18                   “IF A REQUEST FOR HEARING IS NOT RECEIVED WITHIN THIS 21-DAY  
19 PERIOD, YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING SHALL BE CONSIDERED WAIVED  
20 UNLESS YOUR FAILURE TO REQUEST A HEARING WAS BEYOND YOUR  
21 REASONABLE CONTROL. IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING, WITHDRAW  
22 YOUR REQUEST FOR HEARING, IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT A HEARING, OR  
23 NOTIFY THE COMMISSION THAT YOU WILL NOT APPEAR AT HEARING, THE  
24 COMMISSION WILL ADOPT AN ORDER OF DEFAULT WHICH MAY INCLUDE  
25 THE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF YOUR LICENSE OR OTHER  
26 DISCIPLINE.”  
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28 Harrington did not request a hearing. The Commission, therefore, finds Harrington to be in  
29 default and enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and final order, based  
30 on the files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.  
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32   **FINDINGS OF FACT**

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34           1. Harrington has been licensed by the Commission since August 18, 2004.  
35           Harrington currently holds a Professional Teaching License, with an  
36           endorsement in Library Media (PK-12), valid from August 21, 2019, through June  
37           29, 2025. During all relevant times, Harrington was employed by the Junction  
38           City School District (JCSD).

1 2. On May 1, 2019, TSPC received a licensure renewal application for Harrington, as  
2 well as a letter explaining why there was a lapse in time from the date of  
3 expiration to the application. Records show that Harrington's license expired on  
4 June 29, 2018. During that time, Harrington continued to teach at the JCSD. On  
5 May 1, 2019, after realizing the oversight, Harrington made application for  
6 renewal of his Professional Teaching License. Harrington's renewed license was  
7 issued on August 21, 2019. Both Harrington and JCSD supplied correspondence  
8 explaining the lapse in licensure. Harrington took responsibility for the oversight  
9 and indicated he had miscalculated the date on his license due to stresses in his  
10 personal life.

### 11 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

12 The conduct described above constitutes gross neglect of duty in violation of ORS  
13 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*Use*  
14 *professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-0040(4)(r) (*Working without a license*); and OAR 584-  
15 050-0035 (1) (*Any person employed in a position in a school district, education service*  
16 *district, or charter school for which a license or registration is required pursuant to ORS*  
17 *Chapter 342, must hold a valid license or registration appropriate for the assignment while*  
18 *working as a public school, education service district or charter school employee*).

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20 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS  
21 342.175.


### 22 FINAL ORDER

23 The Commission hereby issues a public reprimand upon Ryan C. Harrington's  
24 Oregon educator license.

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26 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2021.

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TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

By:   
Dr. Anthony Rosilez, Executive Director

NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS

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