

BEFORE THE TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the	)	DEFAULT ORDER OF
Educator License of	)	REVOCATION OF LICENSURE
DANIELLE H. FORREST	)	

On October 24, 2024, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Danielle H. Forrest (Forrest) in which the Commission charged her with Gross Neglect of Duty and /or Gross Unfitness. The Notice was sent via U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail Receipt 9589 0710 5270 2162 7863 00 to the address on file with the Commission. The Notice designated the Commission file as the record for purposes of proving a prima facie case. The Certified Mail receipt was returned to the Commission “unclaimed, unable to deliver.” In August TSPC staff was able to make contact with Forrest via Facebook messenger. Forrest told TSPC staff in a single message response that she now lived out of state and was in school full-time for a new job in medical field. At that time, TSPC asked Forrest for her currently mailing address. The Notice of Opportunity of Hearing, dated October 24, 2024, and signed by Cristina Edgar, Professional Practices Director, stated:

“IF A REQUEST FOR HEARING IS NOT RECEIVED WITHIN THIS 21-DAY PERIOD, YOUR RIGHT TO A HEARING SHALL BE CONSIDERED WAIVED UNLESS YOUR FAILURE TO REQUEST A HEARING WAS BEYOND YOUR REASONABLE CONTROL. IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING, WITHDRAW YOUR REQUEST FOR HEARING, OR IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT A HEARING, OR NOTIFY THE COMMISSION THAT YOU WILL NOT APPEAR AT HEARING, THE COMMISSION WILL ADOPT AN ORDER OF DEFAULT WHICH MAY INCLUDE THE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF YOUR LICENSE OR OTHER DISCIPLINE.”

To date, as of the writing of this order, Forrest has not responded or provided TSPC her current mailing address or contact information. The Commission, therefore, finds Forrest to be in default and enters the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and final order, based on the files and records of the Commission concerning this matter.

## FINDING OF FACT

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3 1. The Commission has licensed Forrest since May 9, 2008. Forrest holds a  
4 Preliminary Teaching License, with an endorsement in Elementary - Multiple  
5 Subjects (PK-12); valid from February 20, 2021 through February, 19 2026. During  
6 all relevant times, Forrest was employed by the North Clackamas School District  
7 (NCSD).  
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- 9 2. On July 5, 2022, the Commission received a School District Misconduct Report from  
10 the Associate Director of Human Resources for the NCSD, Will Ruehle (Ruehle)  
11 alleging misconduct which would constitute gross neglect of duty and / or gross  
12 unfitness on the part of Forrest, a license educator for the State of Oregon. The  
13 report alleged that from January 2022 through March 2022, Forrest broke into the  
14 nurse's office and took student prescription medications. The medications that  
15 Forrest allegedly stole included twenty-eight (28) Ritalin and fourteen (14) Adderall  
16 pills.  
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19 3. Investigation determined the following:
  - 20 • Ruehle was made aware that student prescription medications were missing  
21 from the nurse's office at Milwaukie El Puente Elementary School on  
22 February 16, 2022.
  - 23 • The missing medication was identified as Ritalin and Adderall.
  - 24 • Ruehle reviewed key card door data and video surveillance footage and noted  
25 that Forrest repeatedly went to the front office area of the school and was seen  
26 going behind a secretary's desk where the key to the medicine drawer were  
27 kept.
  - 28 • Surveillance footage showed Forrest accessing the Secretary's desk and the  
29 health room a total of six (6) times between January 30, 2022 and February  
30 24, 2022.
  - 31 • On March 4, 2022, the NCSD installed a hidden camera in the heath room,  
32 where the medicine drawer was located.

- 1 • Review of the hidden camera footage documents Forrest again attempting to  
2 access the medicine drawer in the health room with the keys from the  
3 secretary's desk on March 5, 2022.
- 4 • On March 8, 2022, Forrest was required to attend a mandatory meeting with  
5 NCSD administration.
- 6 • During this meeting Forrest denied trying to access the health room and  
7 denied stealing any student medications. At the conclusion of the meeting,  
8 Forrest was placed on administrative leave.
- 9 • On March 16, 2022 Forrest met up with her student teacher, Sofia Puorro  
10 (Puorro) outside of school. During the meeting, Forrest admitted to Puorro  
11 that she had a substance abuse problem and admitted to stealing Ritalin and  
12 Adderall from the school medicine drawer.
- 13 • Puorro relayed this information to NCSD on April 1, 2022.
- 14 • On May 11, 2022, Forrest was again required to attend a mandatory meeting  
15 with NCSD administration regarding this matter. During the meeting Forrest  
16 answered all questions with "no comment" based on the advice of her  
17 attorney.
- 18 • Forrest resigned her position with the NCSD via separation agreement on  
19 June 21, 2022.

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21 4. TSPC attempted to contact Forrest to schedule an interview regarding this matter on  
22 numerous occasions. TSPC investigative staff sent Forrest a Request to Interview  
23 Letter via regular and certified mail on March 14, 2024, March 28, 2024, and April  
24 12, 2024. The letters were sent to the last known address that Forrest provided  
25 TSPC, and to an address provided by Accurint. TSPC also attempted to contact  
26 Forrest multiple times via telephone at the last known phone number she provided  
27 TSPC on April 4, 2024 and April 16, 2024. Additionally, TSPC staff also attempted to  
28 reach Forrest via Facebook Messenger. Forrest responded once, indicating she had  
29 moved out of state, but then failed to respond when TSPC staff told her that they  
30 needed her current mailing address and contact information. As of the writing of this  
31 document, TSPC has yet to receive a response from Forrest.

1 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

2 *The conduct described in sections two (2) and (3) above constitutes gross neglect*  
3 *of duty in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it*  
4 *incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (Use professional judgment), OAR 584-020-*  
5 *0025(2)(e) (Using district lawful and reasonable rules and regulations).*

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7 *The conduct described in section four (4) above constitutes gross neglect of duty in*  
8 *violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as incorporates OAR*  
9 *584-020-0010(5) (Use professional judgment), and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(p)*  
10 *(Subject to the exercise of any legal right or privilege, failure or refusal by an*  
11 *educator under investigation to respond to request for information, to furnish or to*  
12 *participate in interviews with a Commission representative relating to a*  
13 *Commission investigation).*


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16 The Commission’s authority to impose discipline in this matter is based  
17 upon ORS 342.175.

18 **FINAL ORDER**

19 The Commission hereby revokes Forrest’s Oregon teaching license.

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21 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 24 day of December, 2024.

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23 **TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

24 By:   
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26 Melissa Goff, Executive Director

27 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**

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