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Ms. Adelle Nore  
Office of Professional Practices  
Office of the State Superintendent  
of Public Instruction  
Old Capital Building  
P.O. Box 47200  
Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Mr. John Mitchell Taylor  
Certification No. 216483H

Dear Ms. Nore:

Recently we received a complaint from a female student that the above referenced teacher had made inappropriate comments to her at various times during the past school year. During the investigation of the alleged misconduct, several softball players brought up allegations of misconduct following a softball practice which was held in Spokane. We have investigated these allegations by interviewing the aggrieved students and other students who were in the vicinity or on the bus at those times. Based upon all of the information we have at this time, we have concluded that the teacher's actions, both verbal and physical, were inappropriate, unprofessional, and a disregard of generally recognized professional standards. We have, therefore, issued a written reprimand following a suspension with pay which was in effect during the investigation.

My review of WAC 180-87, specifically, WAC 180-87-060, causes me to be concerned that I may have an obligation to report this matter to your office. Therefore, by this letter, I am reporting the matter and request that you take such action as you deem appropriate under the circumstances.

I have enclosed a copy of the written reprimand and attachment cited in the reprimand.

Sincerely,



Melvin J. Louk  
Superintendent of Schools

Attachments

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