



ALBERTA  
EDUCATION

*Office of the Minister*

July 23, 2010

Mr. Steven Begrand  
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Dear Mr. Begrand:

I have received the May 31, 2010 decision and recommendation of the Professional Conduct Appeal Committee of the Alberta Teachers' Association. The appeal committee allowed the Provincial Executive Council appeal that the penalty awarded by the hearing committee in the matter of your unprofessional conduct for having engaged in inappropriate electronic communication with a student was too lenient. The appeal committee amended the penalty awarded to include a recommendation for suspension of your teaching certificate for a period of one year, effective February 5, 2010.

I have reviewed the appeal committee's decision, as well as the hearing committee's decision, and I hereby suspend your Alberta Permanent Professional Certificate for the period of one year, effective February 5, 2010.

Upon the expiry of the one-year suspension period, you may apply for reinstatement of your teaching certificate by sending your written request to the Registrar, Alberta Education, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 44 Capital Boulevard, 10044 108 Street, Edmonton, Alberta T5J 5E6. Please note that until you receive official written notification from the Registrar that your certificate has been reinstated, the certificate remains under suspension and invalid.

Yours truly,  
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Dave Hancock, Q.C.  
Minister



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