

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**IN THE MATTER OF:** )  
 ) **License No. 167016**  
**DONNA HARVEY-LACEY** )

**ORDER OF SUSPENSION**

The Tennessee State Board of Education (Board) disposes of this matter as follows:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. At all times pertinent hereto, Donna Harvey-Lacey (“Respondent”) was licensed by the State Board of Education (“Board”) as a teacher in the State of Tennessee.
2. During the 2012-2013 school year, Respondent was employed with the McKenzie Special School District.
3. On April 23, 2013, Respondent was suspended from the McKenzie Special School District for breaching test security on the MAAS assessment. As a result of Respondent’s breach, students’ scores were nullified.
4. Respondent was notified by certified mail of the Board’s intent to suspend her license based upon these findings, and of her right to a hearing. Respondent received notice and requested a hearing. Subsequently, Respondent, through counsel, knowingly and voluntarily waived her right to a hearing and consented to a one (1) year retroactive suspension of her license.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Respondent’s conduct constitutes grounds for license revocation or suspension pursuant to Board Rule 0520-2-4-.01(9)(b)(6).

**ORDER**

The Tennessee State Board of Education hereby suspends Respondent’s license for one (1) year, retroactive to April 23, 2013, the date of her suspension from the McKenzie Special School District.

During the period of suspension, Respondent shall not serve as a volunteer or be employed, directly or indirectly, as an educator, paraprofessional, aide, substitute teacher, or in any other position in a public school in the State of Tennessee.

Approved by the Board this 30th day of January, 2015.

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF  
EDUCATION

BY: B. Fielding Rolston  
B. Fielding Rolston, Chair

ATTEST: Dr. Sara Heyburn  
Dr. Sara Heyburn, Executive Director

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of February, 2015.

Phyllis E. Childress  
NOTARY PUBLIC



MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

After entry, a copy of this Order will be mailed to Respondent's last known address:

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