

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**IN THE MATTER OF:** )  
 ) **License No. 237542**  
**WILLIAM HOWARD SCUDDER** )

**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, William Howard Scudder (“Respondent”) was licensed by the State Board of Education (“Board”) as a teacher in the State of Tennessee.,
2. On December 5, 2013, after being suspected of being on school premises under the influence, Respondent failed two Breathalyzer tests.
3. On December 10, 2013, Respondent resigned from Clarksville Montgomery County Schools for being under the influence of alcohol while on school premises.
4. Respondent was notified by certified mail of the Board’s intent to suspend his license based upon these findings, and of his right to a hearing. Respondent received notice but did not request a hearing.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Respondent’s conduct constitutes grounds for license revocation 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 from the effective date of this order. Reinstatement shall be contingent upon proof of rehabilitation or evaluation by a health care provider and completion of any recommended steps.

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 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF

EDUCATION

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

ATTEST: Gary Nixon  
Dr. Gary L. Nixon, Executive Director

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

Phyllis E. Childress  
NOTARY PUBLIC



MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:  
January 9, 2016

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

Mr. William Scudder  
2575 Village Court  
Clarksville, TN 37043