

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**IN THE MATTER OF:** )  
 ) **License No. 518571**  
**TAMMY JO SILLS** )

**ORDER OF FORMAL REPRIMAND**

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

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. At all times pertinent hereto, Tammy Jo Sills ("Respondent") was licensed by the State Board of Education ("Board") as a teacher in the State of Tennessee.
2. Respondent was reported by Stewart County Schools as having breached test security by providing inappropriate assistance to students on the SAT-10 test.
3. Respondent was notified by certified mail of the Board's intent to send a formal reprimand based upon these findings. The certified letter was returned unclaimed. The U.S. Postal Service notation that a properly addressed certified letter is "unclaimed" is sufficient evidence of the addressee's refusal to accept service and is sufficient legal notice to the addressee. By refusing delivery of the certified mail, Respondent has waived the right to a hearing.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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

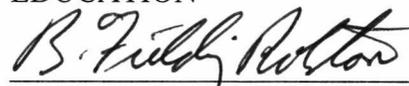
**ORDER**

The Tennessee State Board of Education hereby formally reprimands Respondent license pursuant to the attached letter. A copy of the letter shall also be included in Respondent's personnel file.

Approved by the Board this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2014.

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF  
EDUCATION

BY:



B. Fielding Rolston, Chair

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

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of February, 2014.

Phyllis E. Childress  
NOTARY PUBLIC



MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

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

Ms. Tammy Jo Sills  
140 Hidden Trail  
Dover, TN 37058