

**Kent Leatherwood
Revocation**

The Background:

Facts: In September 2017, Respondent resigned from Blount County Schools amid allegations of inappropriate communication with students via text messages and social media.

Status: Respondent was notified via certified mail of the Board's intent to revoke his license based upon these findings, and of his right to a hearing. Respondent received notice, but did not request a hearing.

The Recommendation:

Respondent's conduct constitutes grounds for license revocation, suspension, formal reprimand or refusal to issue or renew pursuant to Board Rule 0520-02-03-.09(2)(f).

The Board Staff Review Committee recommends that Respondent's Tennessee educator license be revoked.