



1 purposes, or any other purposes, without prior permission. Furthermore, Robbins did not  
2 appropriately supervise the cooking turkey and a fire ensued, requiring district employees to  
3 respond to the situation and causing damage to the classroom.

- 4 3. On June 9, 2009, Robbins completed a purchase order for food items for a school picnic. No  
5 receipts were turned in for this purchase. Receipts retrieved from the grocery store show  
6 that the purchase order was used to purchase a \$200 gift certificate. Robbins did not  
7 produce corresponding receipts for the purchase order or school supplies.
- 8 4. While employed with the Brookings Harbor School District, Robbins was assigned as case  
9 manager to students requiring additional help in various academic areas. Robbins  
10 encouraged or allowed Student R to stop attending alternative education classes and instead  
11 spend time in her classroom. Robbins enrolled Student M in online courses rather than  
12 provide direct instruction for reading, writing, and math. Afterwards, the students were able  
13 to complete tests unusually quick, leading to an investigation. At least one of the students  
14 advised district personnel that Robbins had allowed himself and others to see the answers to  
15 the tests on Robbins' computer screen.
- 16 5. In early December 2009, Robbins requested 6 days off from work but was absent until  
17 January 18, 2010.

#### 18 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

19 Mary Robbins' conduct described in section #2 above constitutes gross neglect of duty in  
20 violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-  
21 0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(b) (*Using and maintaining*  
22 *district property, equipment, and materials appropriately*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(a)  
23 (*Knowing and substantial unauthorized use of: school name or financial credit; school*  
24 *materials or equipment for personal purposes; or school personnel to provide personal*  
25 *services unrelated to school business*); and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(b) (*Knowing and*  
26 *substantial unauthorized use of employment time or school resources for private purposes*).

27 Mary Robbins' conduct described in section #3 above, constitutes gross neglect of duty  
28 in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-  
29 0010(5) (*Use professional judgment*), OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) (*Using district lawful and*  
30 *reasonable rules and regulations*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-  
31 0035(2)(e) (*Not use the district's or school's name, property, or resources for non-educational*  
32 *benefit or purposes without approval of the educator's supervisor or the appointing*  
33 *authority*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(a) (*Knowing and substantial unauthorized use of: school*  
34 *name or financial credit; school materials or equipment for personal purposes; or school*

1 *personnel to provide personal services unrelated to school business*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c)  
2 *(Knowing falsification of any document or knowing misrepresentation directly related to*  
3 *licensure, employment, or professional duties).*

4 Mary Robbins' conduct described in section #4 above, constitutes gross neglect of duty  
5 in violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-  
6 0010(2) *(Encourage scholarship)*, OAR 584-020-0010(4) *(Raise educational standards)*, OAR  
7 584-020-0010(5) *(Use professional judgment)*, OAR 584-020-0010(6) *(Promote equitable*  
8 *learning opportunities)*, OAR 584-020-0015(2)(a) *(Use of state and district adopted*  
9 *curriculum and goals)*, OAR 584-020-0015(2)(e) *(Skill in the selection and use of teaching*  
10 *techniques conducive to student learning).*

11 Mary Robbins' conduct described in section #5 above, constitutes gross neglect of duty in  
12 violation of ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-  
13 0010(5) *(Use professional judgment)*, OAR 584-020-0025(2)(e) *(Using district lawful and*  
14 *reasonable rules and regulations)*; OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c) *(Knowing falsification of any*  
15 *document or knowing misrepresentation directly related to licensure, employment, or*  
16 *professional duties).*


17 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS  
18 342.175.

19 **FINAL ORDER**

20 The Commission hereby revokes Mary Ellen Robbins right to apply for a license for one  
21 year from the effective date of this order.

22 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2012.

23 TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION  
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25 By:   
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27 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director

28 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**


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30 YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE  
31 OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE OF  
32 THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS 183.482 TO  
33 THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I served the foregoing notice of final order, certified by me as such, by mailing U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail—Return Receipt Requested, addressed to:

Mary Ellen Robbins  
PO Box 79  
Brookings, OR 97415

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2012.

By:   
Cristina Edgar  
Investigator