

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the
Disciplinary Action of the
Educator Certificate of
Robin D. Jackson
Certificate 223985

CONSENT ORDER OF SUSPENSION

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on May 5, 2026. On December 16, 2025, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) sent notice via regular and certified mail, to Robin D. Jackson concerning the pending action against educator certificate 223985. After Ms. Jackson received the notice, she contacted the SCDE to discuss an alternative resolution. Ms. Jackson agreed to waive her right to a hearing and enter into this Consent Order of Suspension of educator certificate 223985 for a period of two (2) years. After considering the evidence presented, the State Board voted to accept the Consent Order of Suspension of Ms. Jackson's educator certificate for a period of two (2) years commencing on May 5, 2026 and ending on May 4, 2028.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Robin D. Jackson holds a valid South Carolina professional educator certificate. Ms. Jackson has more than twenty-three (23) years of educator experience. Ms. Jackson's prior record of disciplinary action with the State Board includes a previously entered into Consent Order of Suspension with the South Carolina State Board of Education on May 22, 2022, for a period of six (6) months.

Ms. Jackson was employed by the Orangeburg County School District (District) as a teacher at Orangeburg Wilikinson High School (School). Ms. Jackson was placed on administrative leave on September 25, 2025, after it was reported to the District that Ms. Jackson gave students hypodermic syringes containing a prescription medication. Specifically, Ms. Jackson provided two (2) students with hypodermic needles containing

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blood thinners. Ms. Jackson stated that she thought the needles were Halloween themed writing pens and were given to the students as incentives for their hard work, however they were prescription needles that she was in possession of. Ms. Jackson was subsequently terminated on October 23, 2025.

After considering the evidence presented, the State Board voted to accept the Consent Order of Suspension of Ms. Jackson's educator certificate for a period of two (2) year commencing on May 5, 2026 and ending on May 4, 2028.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

““The South Carolina Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person.” S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 (2020); S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2025). Just cause includes unprofessional conduct. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2025); 24 S.C. Code Regs. 43-58 (2016). The State Board finds that the evidence presented demonstrates that Robin D. Jackson engaged in unprofessional conduct by inadvertently giving students hypodermic syringes containing a prescription medication. The State Board further finds that just cause exists for the suspension of Ms. Jackson's educator certificate for a period of two (2) years, commencing on May 5, 2026 and ending on May 4, 2028.

If Ms. Jackson wishes to have her certificate reinstated at the conclusion of the period of suspension, she shall make a written request to the SCDE's Office of Educator Services. Ms. Jackson shall be responsible for meeting all certification requirements in effect at the time she requests reinstatement and for the payment of any applicable reinstatement fees. The suspension of Ms. Jackson's educator certificate shall be reported to the NASDTEC Clearinghouse and all South Carolina school districts within thirty (30) days from the date of this order.

Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered that the educator certificate of Robin D. Jackson, certificate 223985, is suspended for a period of two (2) years, commencing on May 5, 2026 and ending on May 4, 2028.

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AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

South Carolina State Board of Education

s/David M. Mathis

David M. Mathis, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina
May 5, 2026

I, Robin D. Jackson, SC Educator Certificate 223985, understand there has been an investigation concerning alleged violations of the laws and regulations governing the practice of educator certificate holders and that I have waived my right to a hearing in this matter. I understand the terms set forth in this Consent Order of Suspension are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review. I agree to the terms of this Consent Order of Suspension, consisting of three (3) pages, and understand that this Order will be presented to the State Board for approval on May 5, 2026.

I understand this Order will not become effective until approved by the State Board and, if not approved, it shall not constitute an admission against interest in this proceeding or prejudice the right of the State Board to adjudicate this matter. If approved by the State Board, I give the SCDE permission to use my electronic signature in the style of "s/name" for required website publication.

s/Robin D. Jackson

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