

**Cooper Jones  
Voluntary Surrender**

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**The Background:**

*Facts:* During the summer of 2018, Educator engaged in inappropriate communications with a high school student over the app Snapchat. Educator sent photographs of himself holding a bottle of beer, asked the student to come visit him, and told her to “hurry up and graduate.” Former students informed teachers at the school about the messages, and the teachers informed the school administration. Educator resigned from his position on September 7, 2018.

*Status:* Respondent was notified by certified mail of the Board’s intent to revoke his educator license based upon these findings. Respondent received said notice.

**The Recommendation:**

Respondent’s conduct constitutes grounds for license revocation pursuant to Rule 0520-02-03-.09(3)(g) and (3)(h).

The Board staff recommended the revocation of Respondent’s Tennessee educator license. Respondent has agreed to voluntarily surrender his license and not reapply for a period of five (5) years from the date of approval of the signed Consent Order.