

IN THE MATTER OF THE TEACHERS ACT, SBC 2011 c. 19

AND

IN THE MATTER CONCERNING JASMINE KAUR



CONSENT RESOLUTION SUMMARY

This summary is published under section 54(3) of the Teachers Act to protect the identity of a student/students who was/were harmed, abused or exploited by the Teacher.

- 1. Kaur holds a valid Professional Certificate of Qualification. It was issued by the Director of Certification (the "Director") under the *Teachers Act* on January 16, 2018 and is valid from January 16, 2018.
- 2. At all material times, Kaur was employed as a secondary school teacher by School District No. 36 (Surrey) (the "District") at a District school (the "School").
- 3. On November 19, 2021, the Superintendent of the District made a report to the Commissioner regarding Kaur, under section 16 of the *School Act*.
- 4. The following events occurred on October 28, 2021, when Kaur was teaching a Grade 8 Science class at the School:
 - a. Kaur lost her temper with Student A who she felt was being disrespectful. Kaur raised her voice and said in front of the class that Student A was not passing Grade 8 science and that every teacher in the School was complaining about Student A. Kaur also said, in front of the class, that Student A's elementary school teacher said that Student A had done no work in elementary school.
 - b. Kaur then asked Student A to show Kaur Student A's workbook. When Student A did not do so, Kaur went into Student A's bag and retrieved the workbook herself.

- c. Kaur told Student A that she could not tolerate Student A in her class, and so asked Student A to leave the classroom to go to the Learner Support Team room. When Student A refused, Kaur held onto Student A's arm and pulled on it.
- d. Student B was in the same class and interjected when Kaur suggested that Student C was off task because Student C had been sitting with Student A. Kaur responded by speaking harshly to Student B, causing Student B to cry.
- 5. On November 16, 2021, the District issued Kaur a letter of discipline.
- 6. On March 24, 2022, Kaur entered into a consent resolution agreement with the Commissioner in which Kaur admitted that her conduct described in paragraph 4 above constitutes professional misconduct and is contrary to Standard #1 of the *Professional Standards for BC Educators*, June 19, 2019.
- 7. Kaur agreed to a reprimand under sections 53 and 64(a) of the *Teachers Act*.
- 8. Kaur further agreed, under sections 64(f) and (h) of the *Teachers Act*, to complete the course, *Creating a Positive Learning Environment*, through the Justice Institute of British Columbia by March 31, 2023.
- 9. In determining that a reprimand and course requirement are appropriate consequences, the Commissioner considered the following factors:
 - a. Kaur failed to treat students with dignity and respect; and
 - b. Kaur failed to model appropriate behaviour expected of an educator.