

**DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE OF THE
ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS**

BETWEEN:

ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS

and

MATTHEW AARON REINGOLD

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE OF THE ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS, pursuant to section 26, subsection (5) of the *Ontario College of Teachers Act, 1996* (the “*Act*”), Statutes of Ontario, 1996, chapter 12, has directed that the matter hereinafter described regarding the conduct or actions of Matthew Aaron Reingold, Certificate No. 533908, be referred to the Discipline Committee of the Ontario College of Teachers.

IT IS ALLEGED that Matthew Aaron Reingold is guilty of professional misconduct as defined in the *Act* in that:

- (a) he abused a student psychologically or emotionally, contrary to Ontario Regulation 437/97, subsection 1(7.2);
- (b) he committed acts that, having regard to all the circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by members as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional, contrary to Ontario Regulation 437/97, subsection 1(18);

- (c) he engaged in conduct unbecoming a member, contrary to Ontario Regulation 437/97, subsection 1(19).

PARTICULARS OF THESE ALLEGATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Matthew Aaron Reingold (the “Member”) is a member of the Ontario College of Teachers.
2. At all material times, the Member was employed as a teacher at [XXX] Academy [XXX] (the “School”) in Toronto, Ontario.
3. During the 2023-2024 academic year, Student 1 was a Grade [XXX] female student in the Member’s Grade [XXX] [XXX] class at the School. At all material times, Students 1 and 2 were female students at the School.
4. From in or around September 2023 to the end of August 2024, on multiple occasions the Member communicated with Student 1 through the School’s messaging system, through text messages, and/or by telephone or Facetime. This included messages which were sent outside of school hours and/or were for non-educational purposes and/or failed to respect appropriate boundaries for a teacher-student relationship.
5. Between around December 2023 and May 2024, the Member engaged in personal conversations with Student 1 and/or had lunch alone in his classroom with Student 1 where they discussed personal issues.
6. Between around December 2023 and May 2024, the Member encouraged Student 1 to join the School’s [XXX] program that he coordinated, despite Student 1 telling him that she was busy and should not take on more responsibilities.
7. Between around February 2024 and August 2024, the Member:

- (a) engaged Student 1 in or around February 2024 to tutor his child and/or babysit his children at his home on a regular, ongoing basis;
 - (b) met with Student 1 outside of school and school hours when Student 1 attended his home to tutor or babysit his children;
 - (c) in May 2024 and thereafter, texted Student 1 using his personal cell phone and told Student 1 to communicate with him directly regarding tutoring and/or childcare arrangements.
- 8. In June 2024, the Member assigned Student 1 a mark of 100% on her Independent Study Assignment, despite Student 1 telling the Member that she had received an exemption from the School and/ or without the Member having reviewed the assignment.
- 9. From in or around June 2024 to the end of August 2024, the Member recruited Student 1 and/ or Student 2 to assist him with his personal research project outside of school hours.
- 10. In or around the end of August 2024, the Member contacted Student 1's mother for non-educational purposes when he:
 - (a) dropped off a car seat at Student 1's mother's home so that Student 1 could pick up the Member's daughter in her car;
 - (b) on more than one occasion contacted Student 1's mother by email, text or phone when Student 1 did not respond to his text messages.
- 11. In or around August 2024, the Member emailed Student 2 when he found out that Student 2 was not in any of his classes.

12. On or about August 23, 2024, the Member met with Student 1 at a Starbucks where he:
 - (a) discussed personal matters with Student 1;
 - (b) made comments about it being “legal to drink” at an upcoming student graduation trip;
 - (c) gave Student 1 an agenda book and a green pen.
13. From around August 22 to August 27, 2024, the Member counselled or coached Student 1 on how to change her 2024-2025 class schedule so that she would be in one or more of his classes.
14. The Member resigned his employment with the School, effective August 29, 2024.

THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A HEARING pursuant to sections 30, 32 and 32.1 of the *Act* to decide whether the allegations are true and whether Matthew Aaron Reingold is guilty of professional misconduct. A copy of the *Rules of Procedure of the Discipline Committee and of the Fitness to Practise Committee* (the “*Rules of Procedure*”) will be provided upon request and is also available on the College’s website.

THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE WILL HEAR THIS MATTER on a date to be determined after consultation between College Counsel and you or your counsel and fixed by the Tribunals’ Office.

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO BE PRESENT AT THE HEARING AND TO BE REPRESENTED BY LEGAL COUNSEL. The hearing will be held electronically using

audio or video conferencing equipment, pursuant to the *Rules of Procedure* and the *Statutory Powers Procedure Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.S.22 (the “SPPA”).

IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND ON THE SCHEDULED HEARING DATE, THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE MAY PROCEED WITH THE HEARING IN YOUR ABSENCE AND YOU WILL NOT BE PROVIDED WITH ANY FURTHER NOTICE OF PROCEEDINGS.

IF YOU BELIEVE THAT AN ELECTRONIC HEARING OR ELECTRONIC SET DATE HEARING IS LIKELY TO CAUSE YOU SIGNIFICANT PREJUDICE, you must notify the Tribunals’ Office at 101 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 0A1. The Discipline Committee will then determine whether the hearing will proceed in person, electronically, in writing, or by a combination of these formats.

IF A DATE FOR THE HEARING AND/OR THE FORMAT OF THE HEARING ARE NOT AGREED UPON, THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE WILL CONVENE TO DEAL WITH THE PROCEDURAL MATTER OF SETTING A DATE AND/OR ESTABLISHING THE FORMAT FOR THE HEARING. The procedural hearing will be held electronically using audio or video conferencing equipment, pursuant to the *Rules of Procedure* and the *SPPA*.

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO BE PRESENT WHEN THE COMMITTEE CONVENES TO SET A DATE AND/OR FORMAT FOR THE HEARING AND TO BE REPRESENTED BY LEGAL COUNSEL. IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND BEFORE THE COMMITTEE TO SET A DATE AND/OR FORMAT FOR THE HEARING, THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE MAY PROCEED IN YOUR ABSENCE TO SET THE DATE AND/OR FORMAT. NOTICE OF THE HEARING DATE AND/OR FORMAT SET BY THE COMMITTEE WILL BE

PROVIDED TO YOU IN WRITING AT YOUR LAST KNOWN EMAIL ADDRESS AS SHOWN IN THE RECORDS OF THE COLLEGE.

IF THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE FINDS YOU GUILTY of professional misconduct, you are liable to the penalties set out in section 30 of the *Act*.

A MEMBER whose conduct is being investigated in proceedings before the Discipline Committee may examine before the hearing any written or documentary evidence that will be produced or any report, the contents of which will be given as evidence at the hearing. You or your representative may contact the office of Christine Lonsdale of McCarthy Tétrault LLP, College Counsel in this matter, at Suite 5300, Toronto Dominion Bank Tower, Toronto, ON M5K 1E6, telephone 416-601-8019.

Date: May 8, 2026

Registrar's Signature

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