Students accepted into teacher certification programs at Western Washington University will have opportunities to work in public or private schools with students, teachers, administrators and parents. Our students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner in all interactions with all individuals. As a means of emphasizing the importance of appropriate behavior, the following policies apply to all Woodring College Teacher Certification students.

Teacher Certification students may be discharged, or required to withdraw from a course or practicum/field experience, the student teaching internship, or the certification program for any of the following reasons:

1. A guilty plea or conviction of any felony crime involving the physical neglect of or physical injury to a child;
2. The commission of a crime against the laws of the State of Washington;
3. Exhibiting unprofessional or unethical conduct or behavior;
4. Failure to maintain a 2.75 quarterly GPA.

I understand that information concerning students may be shared with school district personnel to determine if a placement can and should be made, or if a placement should continue; and that the Woodring College of Education cannot override the decisions of school districts. Practicum and Internship placements are dependent on school district approval.

I also understand that acceptance into the program and completion of the program does not guarantee granting of a Washington State teaching certificate.

I agree to abide by the above policies and certify, to the best of my knowledge, that all statements contained in this application are true and accurate.

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Applicant Signature        Date

I understand and agree to these terms.

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Applicant Signature        Date

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To request this document in an alternate format, please contact Woodring Admissions, 360.650.3310, TeacherEd.Admission@wwu.edu.