

**STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE**

**GOOD MORAL CHARACTER**

Ohio statues require that teachers be in good moral character. These statutes are embodied in regulations governing teacher education. The Dean of the College of Education at The Ohio State University is responsible for recommending individuals for certification. Standards require that an applicant for certification be deemed to be of good moral character (rule 3301-23-02) [A] [8] and rules (3301-23-01 to 3301-23-21). Given this responsibility, it is required that you sign this statement regarding "good moral character" as defined below by the State Board of Education as a condition of admission to and exit from any professional education program at this college.

Read the standard below. If you are confident that you understand the standard, complete the "Statement of Assurance". Failure to do so can result in your not being recommended for certification, pending the outcome of a hearing with the Dean. Be aware that failure to respond truthfully could result in perjury charges.

Statement of Standard 3301-21-01 (M) - Definitions: "Good Moral Character"

A person shall be deemed to be of good moral character provided that said individual has not pleaded guilty to or been convicted of any felony, any violation of Section 2907.04 (corruption of a minor) or Section 2907.06 (sexual imposition), or Division (a) or (c) of Section 2907.07 (importuning) of the Revised Code, any offense of violence, theft offense, or drug abuse offense that is not a minor misdemeanor, or any substantively comparable ordinance of a municipal corporation or of another state. An individual who has pleaded guilty to or has been convicted of any such offense may have an application for certification considered by the State Board of Education, provided said individual meets the conditions specified in Rule 3301-23-23 of the Administrative Code.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ assure the College of Education of The Ohio State University that I am of good moral character, as defined in this document.

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Signature

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Date