

## Verification of Moral Character

NOTE: This form MUST be submitted to the course instructor at the beginning of each semester during which the candidate is enrolled in courses that require candidates to go into schools and interact with students.

The State of Ohio Department of Education has set standards for the granting of a license to teach. Candidates for teaching licensure must be recommended by the Department of Education and School Psychology at John Carroll University. Consistent with these state standards, JCU requires affirmation of the good moral character of its candidates. This signed statement must become part of your student record before you can be admitted to a program in Teacher Education. If you are unable to verify the statement below, immediately contact the Chairperson of the Department of Education and School Psychology.

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I, the undersigned Teacher Education candidate, state that I am of good moral character and affirm the following: I have never had a professional credential (license, certificate, permit) revoked or suspended; nor have I ever surrendered a professional credential. I have never been convicted of, found guilty of, or pled guilty to any felony.

I have never been convicted of, found guilty of, or pled guilty to any of the following violations of Ohio law; corruption of a minor, sexual imposition, soliciting a person under the age of thirteen to engage in sexual conduct, soliciting a person to engage in sexual conduct who was between the ages of twelve and fifteen when I was 18 or older and at least four years older than the person; any drug offense that is not a minor misdemeanor, any offense of violence, or any theft offense.

I have never been convicted of, found guilty of, or pled guilty to any violation of any municipal ordinance, law of another state, or and federal statute comparable to the violations noted in the preceding paragraph.

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Banner ID \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Please note: When you apply for State of Ohio licensure, you will be asked to verify the above information. In addition, the State of Ohio is now asking the following questions on the application for licensure. Have you ever been convicted of, found guilty of, or pled guilty to any misdemeanor other than a traffic offense? Have you ever had a criminal conviction sealed or expunged?