

WisGOP: “Teacher charged with having sex with inmate had license renewed by DPI” under Tony Evers’ failed leadership

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Milwaukee Journal Sentinel exposes Evers’ failed leadership that led to renewing license of a teacher caught having sexual relationship with student
[Madison, WI] — The *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* is out with an explosive article this afternoon detailing how the Tony Evers-led Department of Public Instruction renewed the license of a teacher who pleaded no contest to a felony charge stemming from a sexual relationship she carried on with a student.

Read the full piece [here](#) or find excerpts below:

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State Republicans are ending the governor’s race just like they started it:

By accusing Democratic candidate Tony Evers of not doing enough to revoke the

license of a teacher found guilty of wrongdoing. Evers is running neck-and-neck with GOP Gov. Scott Walker.

But this case, like the one involving [a Middleton teacher who viewed porn](#), may say more about the incredible shortcomings of the state law in place at the time of the offense.

Records show a special education teacher at Kettle Moraine Correctional Institution was charged in 2011 with second-degree sexual assault for having sex with an inmate.

The teacher, Nadine Minglana, [eventually pleaded no contest to a Class I felony](#) for misconduct in office.

In 2016, the state Department of Public Instruction renewed Minglana's teaching license, which is now active. Minglana, who did not return calls, currently works at [a Sheboygan supper club](#).

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The investigation focused on her relationship with inmate Andre Spears, 29. He is currently serving at the Jackson Correctional Institution for being a [felon in possession of a firearm](#) and resisting arrest. He had previously been locked up for recklessly endangering public safety.

Spears told officials that Minglana had performed oral sex on him, touched his genitals and hugged and kissed him. The detective who investigated the case testified that a deputy warden at Kettle Moraine had contacted the Sheboygan County Sheriff's Office about the matter after reviewing communication between the pair.

Minglana was sentenced to three years' probation and was barred from teaching during that time.

In applying to renew her license, she wrote a lengthy letter to state education officials in which she leveled a number of allegations against state corrections staff, accusing her supervisor of breaking prison policy and putting employees in an unsafe work environment. Minglana even suggested she was set up.

Still, she acknowledged that she was guilty of misconduct in office.

Read the full story [here](#).