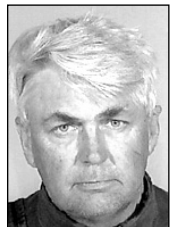


Warning after warning, to no avail

Principals in the Northshore School District received at least 16 warnings about teacher Carl Leede's fondling or inappropriate touching of students, according to school, court and law-enforcement records. These warnings came from other teachers, staff members and parents. Leede wasn't disciplined in any of these instances. He was removed from the schools only after the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office was contacted by parents in May 1999. For some warnings exact dates weren't available.



Carl Leede

An early warning
 Around 1989, teaching assistant Cheryl Cone saw Leede with his hands on a girl's breasts. She reported this to Woodinville Annex Principal Anne Boone. Cone never heard anything back. Cone also reported this to Leede's next principal, at Woodmoor. He "seemed kind of put off by the whole thing," Cone said.

An office meeting
 Leede fondled a fourth-grader at Kokanee. The girl's mother complained to Principal Ed Young in spring 1996. Young brought the girl into his office and questioned her in front of Leede. Young did not discipline Leede, who explained that he was just a "touchy-feely" kind of guy.

A principal's polite note
 Another family told Young in October 1998 about Leede's inappropriate touching of their daughter. Young sent Leede a note saying he "may want to look at" a district pamphlet on touching. The family again warned Young in a January 1999 letter that Leede was still hugging girls.

June 8, 2000
 Leede is sentenced on seven misdemeanor counts, including six for assaulting students. He's sentenced to eight months in jail.

Leede says goodbye
 His letter says: "I have enjoyed my tenure in the District and will miss the teaching aspect of education. I believe, however, that it is now best that I pursue other career interests."

June 30, 2000
 Leede resigns from Northshore School District.

May 20, 1999
 Leede is arrested on suspicion of child molestation.

January 1999
 Reported by parent

October 1998
 Reported by parent

January 6, 1998
 Reported by school staff

Dec. 1, 1998
 Reported by teacher

Dec. 1, 1998
 Reported by teacher

Spring 1996
 Reported by parent

1995 or early 1996
 Reported by school staff

1995-1996
 Reported by school staff

1995 or early 1996
 Reported by teacher

1991-1994*
 Reported by parent

1991-1992
 Reported by school staff

1992
 Reported by school staff

March 1991
 Reported by school staff

Around 1989
 Reported by school staff

1989-1992
 Reported by teacher

1987-1988
 Reported by teacher

* Records are unclear if this warning occurred at Woodinville Annex or Woodmoor Elementary.

Woodinville Annex

Woodmoor Elementary

Kokanee Elementary

