

Georgia teacher fired after students post her naked selfies online

Lekeshia Jones, 34, claims she was wrongfully fired after her class of 14-year-old students at Myers Middle School in Savannah hacked into her cell phone and posted her naked pictures online. The teacher is suing the school board and plans to press charges against the teens who swiped the pictures.

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A Georgia teacher is suing her local school board and a group of 14-year-old students who she says hacked into her cell phone, swiped several naked selfies and posted them online.

Lekeshia Jones, 34, said she was wrongfully fired after the group of students secretly accessed her phone during a business club meeting at Myers Middle School in Savannah.

The teenage girls found the teacher's stash of naked selfies before taking pictures of them to send to friends and post online, [WTOC-TV reported](#).

But Jones didn't know what happened until a month later, when one of the girls confessed to the prank.

"I feel like I was the victim," Jones [told the news station](#).

"Like I had been violated."

The Savannah-Chatham School Board voted last week to fire Jones for being irresponsible with her phone, for not properly handling or reporting the incident and for insubordination in the weeks that followed the ordeal.

The officials testified that Jones had shared her cell phone password with the class for students to call home — so they had immediate access to the photos when she left the phone unattended, [the Savannah Morning](#)

They also claim Jones did not immediately report the nude photo leak and tried to track down the culprits on her own.

The district officials said they removed Jones from the middle school pending an investigation and she failed to report to her new post for three weeks.

And when Jones did begin working at another middle school, she left her cell phone unattended and it was stolen by a student.

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But Jones denied the claims and said her only mistake was trusting her students to respect her privacy and not access the graphic pictures stored on her phone.

“Whatever is in my phone is my business,” Jones [told the newspaper](#).

“There is nothing in the policy about what you can or cannot have in your phone.”

Jones told the paper that her phone was charging in her desk drawer when the students found it. And she says she never shared her password with the group of teens.

She filed a wrongful termination suit against the school board and plans to press charges on the teens who hacked into her phone.

But Jones said she refused to let the humiliating experience stand in the way of continuing her education career.

“I’m going to stay in education,” she [told the paper](#).

“This is a bump in the road, but I’m going right over it.”

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