P.E.R.C. NO. 2004-47

STATE OF NEW JERSEY BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the Matter of

MATAWAN-ABERDEEN REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION,

Petitioner,

-and-

Docket No. SN-2004-20

MATAWAN REGIONAL TEACHERS ASSOCIATION,

Respondent.

SYNOPSIS

The Public Employment Relations Commission grants the request of the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional Board of Education for a restraint of binding arbitration of a grievance filed by the Matawan Regional Teachers Association. The grievance contests the withholding of a computer science teacher's salary increment for the 2003-2004 school year. The Commission concludes that this withholding was triggered by the conclusion that hacking by students into school computers and other student misconduct occurred during the teacher's class. The Commission finds that these reasons predominately involve an evaluation of teaching performance. Any appeal must be filed with the Commissioner of Education.

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