

Teaching Duties of McVeigh's Sister Draw Complaints

BUFFALO, N.Y. — A student-teaching assignment for the sister of an Oklahoma City bombing suspect has drawn complaints from faculty and parents worried that she will share her political views in the classroom.

An FBI report claims that Jennifer McVeigh advocated the overthrow of the American government and predicted five months before the bombing that her brother, Timothy, would be part of a revolution.

Jennifer McVeigh, 23, is an elementary education student at Buffalo State College and is student-teaching in a pre-kindergarten program at Futures Academy, a public elementary school in Buffalo. She attended classes last week but didn't return this week, the Buffalo News reported Wednesday.

"Legally, she is entitled to her experience there," Supt. James Harris said, adding that she has indicated she wanted to return.

Her attorney and Buffalo State officials declined comment, but school board President Marlies Wesolowski came to her defense.

"If there are complaints about her conduct in the classroom, that's one thing," Wesolowski said. "To my knowledge, this young lady is not guilty of anything, except being related to someone who is accused of a crime."