

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Greenwich Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student: Parents

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Attorney Abby Wadler
Greenwich Board of Education
290 Greenwich Avenue
Greenwich, CT 06830

Appearing before: Attorney Brette H. Fitton, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board fail to provide Student with a Free Appropriate Public Education in the Least Restrictive Environment for the 2012-2013 school year?
2. Does the program proposed by the Board for the 2013-2014 school year provide the Student with a Free Appropriate Public Education in the Least Restrictive Environment?
3. If the Program proposed by the Board for the 2013-2014 school year does not provide the Student with a Free Appropriate Public Education in the Least Restrictive Environment, is an out of district placement the appropriate placement for Student?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY:

On July 26, 2013, the Greenwich Board of Education received a Request for a Special Education Due Process Hearing and the undersigned hearing officer was appointed. Prehearing conferences were held on August 9, 2013 and August 26, 2013 and the original deadline for the mailing of the final decision and order was established as October 9, 2013.

Pursuant to discussion during the first prehearing conference, an amended request was filed by Parent on August 20, 2013, to which the Board had no objection. A new deadline for the mailing of the final decision and order resulted from the amendment. The revised deadline was established as November 3, 2013. Hearing dates were scheduled for October 15, 2013, October 16, 2013, October 23, 2013 and October 29, 2013 and October 30, 2013. On September 16, 2013, the parties requested that the previously scheduled hearing dates of October 15, 2013 and October 16, 2013 be postponed so that the parties might engage in mediation. This request was granted resulting in the initial date of hearing falling on October 23, 2013. On October 21, 2013, Parents withdrew the hearing request.

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In light of the above facts, the case is dismissed.