# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Greenwich Board of Education

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# FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

### **ISSUES:**

- 1. Did the Board offer Student an appropriate program for the 2013-2014 school year?
- 2. Did the Board conduct the appropriate evaluations and assessments of Student in developing the Student's 2013-2014 IEP?
- 3. Did the Board violate Student's rights to procedural due process?
- 4. Did the Board violate Students rights to substantive due process?
- 5. Is placement at the Foundation school appropriate?
- 6. If placement at Foundation School is appropriate, then should the Board be required to financially support and reimburse the parents in that placement, including transportation, tuition and education related expenses?
- 7. Do the circumstances warrant an award of compensatory education?

# PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on March 19, 2014. The Hearing Officer was appointed on March 25, 2014 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on April 4, 2014. The hearing was scheduled for and commenced on June 2, 2014. The Parent's and Board attorneys reported that the parties had come to an agreement and that the Parent was withdrawing the Due Process Complaint with prejudice.

# FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.

If the local or regional board of education or the unified school district responsible for providing special education for the student requiring special education does not take action on the findings or prescription of the hearing officer within fifteen days after receipt thereof, the State Board of Education shall take appropriate action to enforce the findings or prescription of the hearing officer.

Appeals from the hearing decision of the hearing officer may be made to state or federal court by either party in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-183, Connecticut General Statutes, and Title 20, United States Code 1415(i)(2)(A).

Hearing Officer Signature

Sylvia Ho

Hearing Officer

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