

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Weston Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Was the student eligible for special education services in the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 school years?
2. If so, did the Board deny the student a free and appropriate education?
3. If the Board denied student a free and appropriate education, is student entitled to tuition and education related expenses?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Parent brought the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on April 24, 2013. The Hearing Officer conducted a prehearing conference on May 2, 2013. The parties agreed to voluntary mediation with a state appointed mediator. The mediation was scheduled for July 16, 2013. Upon their request, the mailing date of the Final Decision was extended to August 7 from July 7. The hearing was scheduled for July 29, 2013. The hearing commenced on July 29, 2013. The Board's attorney and the parent *pro se* appeared and reported that the parties had settled their dispute. The parent requested a withdrawal of the Complaint with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.