

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Meriden Board of Education

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Appearing before:

Sylvia Ho, Esq.  
Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:**

1. Did the Board provide Student with appropriate programs for the 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and the 2014-2015 school years?
2. Should the Board be required to conduct a neuropsychological evaluation of Student?
3. Should the Board be required to financially support an out of district placement of Student at Ben Bronz Academy and/or Intensive Education Academy?
4. Do the circumstances warrant an award of compensatory education?

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:**

The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing dated September 19, 2014. The Hearing Officer was appointed on the same day and conducted a Prehearing Conference on October 2, 2014. The hearing was scheduled for November 20, December 1 and 2, 2014. On November 6, 2014, the Parent's attorney reported to the Hearing Officer that the parties had finalized their 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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