

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Ridgefield Board of Education

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Appearing before:

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board appropriately and timely evaluate and identify Student as being eligible for special education services?
2. Did the Board provide an appropriate program for 2013-2014?
3. Is Cooperative Educational Services ("CES") an appropriate placement for Student?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on April 21, 2014. The Hearing Officer was appointed the same day and conducted a Prehearing Conference on April 8, 2014. The hearing was scheduled for June 13, 2014. On June 10, 2014, the Parent's attorney reported to the Hearing Officer 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 Name in Print