

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. New Fairfield Board of Education

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Appearing before: Attorney Brette H. Fitton  
Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:**

1. Is the Individualized Education Program proposed by the Board at the September 18, 2014 Planning and Placement Team meeting appropriate?
2. If the program is not appropriate, what is the appropriate program?

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY:**

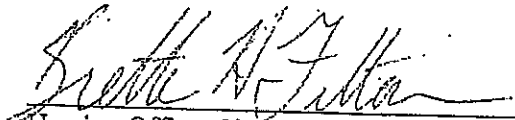
On September 24, 2014, the New Fairfield Board of Education received Parents' Request for a Special Education Due Process Hearing and the undersigned hearing officer was appointed. The deadline for the mailing of the Final Decision and Order is December 8, 2014. On October 17, 2014, Attorney for the Student filed an appearance and withdrew the hearing request.

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

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

Brette H. Fitton  
Hearing Officer      Name in Print