

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Ridgefield Board of Education

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Appearing before:

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES

1. Did the Board violate Student's rights of procedural process as set forth in paragraph 5 of the Hearing Request?
2. Did the Board provide Student with an appropriate Individualized Education Program for the February 6, 2010 through 2009-2010 school year, 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years?
3. Is Student's private placement an appropriate program?
4. Should the Board be required to reimburse the parents for expenses related to testing and evaluation and the student's private placement at Eagle Hill and Villa Maria schools?
5. Should the Board be required to provide financial support for Student's private placement for the 2011-2012 school year?

SUMMARY

A special education hearing was requested by Student's Attorney by letter dated February 6, 2012. It was received by the Board of Education ("BOE") on February 6, 2012. The timelines were extended at the Student's request and the Mailing Date of the Final Decision is May 20, 2012. The hearing was scheduled for May 18, 2012.

On April 25, 2012, the Student's attorney reported to the Hearing Officer that after participating in mediation, the Parents and the BOE "successfully settle the case, including executing a full Agreement. Accordingly, the Parents, having resolved the matter to their satisfaction, hereby withdraw their request for Due Process, with prejudice."

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The matter is **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE.**