

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Meriden Board of Education

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Appearing before:

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board provided an appropriate program Student for the two years prior to the date of the Hearing Request?
2. Did the Board offer an appropriate program for the 2015-2016 school year?
3. Should the Board be required to financially support an out of district placement for Student?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

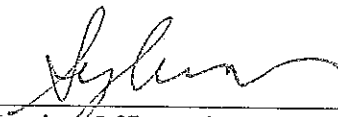
The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on June 26, 2015. The Hearing Officer was appointed on June 30, 2015 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on July 15, 2015. At the parties' request, the mailing date was extended to October 9 so that they could participate in mediation. The hearing was scheduled for September 10 and 17, 2015. On August 20, 2015, the Parent's attorney reported to the Hearing Officer that the parties had resolved their dispute 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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