

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Bloomfield Board of Education v. Student

Appearing on behalf of the Student

Parent, *pro se*

Appearing on behalf of the Board

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Appearing before:

Attorney Sylvia Ho, Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:**

1. Whether the Board's evaluations are appropriate?
2. Whether the Board should be required to pay for an independent neuropsychological evaluation?

**SUMMARY:**

The Board initiated a Request for Due Process Hearing on June 5, 2012, which was received by the Board on June 9, 2012. A prehearing conference was held on June 19, 2012 and a hearing scheduled for July 10, 2012. The Parent's motion to extend time to engage in mediation with a state appointed mediator was granted and the hearing was rescheduled to July 27, 2012 and then to August 20, 2012. The original mailing date of the final decision of July 24, 2012 was extended to August 24, 2012.

The hearing convened on August 20, 2012 during which time neither party appeared. The Hearing Officer requested the presence of a Board representative. After some inquiry, the Board's attorney returned a telephone call to the Hearing Officer and conveyed the message that the Board was withdrawing the Due Process Request without prejudice.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

The matter is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.