

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parent: Surrogate Parent, *Pro se*

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Attorney Melinda B. Kaufmann  
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Appearing before: Attorney Mary H.B. Gelfman, Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:** (as presented in the March 19, 2009, request for hearing):

Because of medical problems resulting in deterioration of Student's vision, additional evaluation is needed, as well as changes in the IEP and additional assistive technology.

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY:**

This hearing was requested on March 19, 2009, by the Surrogate Parent assigned to the Student, who is attending an out-of-state private school.

Following a resolution meeting and related discussions with school district staff members, Surrogate Parent withdrew the request for hearing because program modifications and evaluations were being discussed and adopted.

All motions and objections not previously ruled upon, if any, are hereby overruled.

**SUMMARY:**

In order to comply with the confidentiality requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g and related regulations at 34 C.F.R. § 99, the following decision uses "Student", "School", "Parent". And titles of school staff members and other witnesses in place of names and other personally identifiable information.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

Section 10-76h, Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.), and related regulations at Section 10-76h, Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, authorize an impartial hearing officer to conduct a special education hearing and to render a final decision in accordance with Sections 4-176e through 4-180a, inclusive, and Sections 4-181a of the C.G.S. Section 20 U.S.C. § 1415(f) and related regulations at 34 C.F.R. § 300.511 through § 300.520 also authorize special education hearings.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

Because the Surrogate Parent has withdrawn the request for hearing, this matter is **DISMISSED**, without prejudice.