STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Stamford Board of Education

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Appearing before: Attorney Patricia M. Strong, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1.   Did the Student make appropriate progress in his program and placement for the 2007-2008 school year and, if not, was he denied a Free Appropriate Public Education ("FAPE")?

2.   Did the Student make appropriate progress in his program and placement for the 2008-2009 school year and, if not, was he denied a FAPE?

3.   Should the Board have placed the Student at the Eagle Hill School for the 2009-2010 school year as requested by the Parent at the June 11, 2009 Planning and Placement Team meeting?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Parent's (Mother) attorney requested this hearing by mailing a letter dated July 9, 2009 to the Board of Education. The Board and the State Department of Education received a copy of the letter on July 10, 2009. This Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on July 13, 2009. On July 22, 2009, the Board's attorney filed an appearance. On July 29, 2009, a prehearing conference was held with the attorneys. Hearing dates were agreed on for August 19, 2009 and September 3, 2009. The parties planned to schedule a resolution meeting. The mailing date for the final decision was set at September 23, 2009. On August 11, 2009, the Parent's attorney requested a postponement of the August 19, 2009 hearing to allow the parties to finalize a settlement agreement, which was granted. On August 18, 2009, the Parent's attorney notified the Hearing Officer that the parties had reached a settlement and requested that this matter be withdrawn with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

It is ordered that this case shall be dismissed with prejudice.