

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Darien Board of Education

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

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Andreana Bellach, Esq.
Christopher A. Tracey, Esq.
Shipman & Goodwin, LLP
300 Atlantic Street
Stamford, CT 06901

Appearing before: Mary H.B. Gelfman, Esq.
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board provide appropriate evaluations of the Student in a timely fashion during the 2011-2012 school year?
2. Did the 2011-2012 Individualized Education Program (IEP) provide for a free appropriate public education (FAPE) appropriate to Student's special education needs, and was that IEP implemented in a timely fashion?
3. Did the 2012-2013 IEP provide FAPE appropriate to Student's special education needs, and was that IEP implemented in a timely fashion?
4. Should the Parents be reimbursed for any or all costs for educational services they provided to Student during the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 school years?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

This hearing was requested by Parents on February 13, 2013, and the Hearing Officer was appointed on the same day. The date for mailing the decision was April 30, 2013. At the pre-hearing conference on February 26, 2013, it was reported that a resolution session was being scheduled. The hearing was scheduled for April 11 and 16, 2013. On March 18, 2013, Parents emailed the Hearing Officer that they would like to withdraw their request for hearing and asked that the case be dismissed with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The Parents have withdrawn their request for a hearing. Therefore this matter is DISMISSED with prejudice, as requested.