

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Norwalk Board of Education

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Appearing before: Attorney Ann F. Bird, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Norwalk Board of Education (“BOE”) offer the Student a free appropriate public education from April 4, 2011 to the present day, including extended school years?
2. If not, is the Student’s unilateral placement appropriate?
3. If not, is the remedy of compensatory education appropriate?
4. If not, is the Student entitled to reimbursement for the expenses of the unilateral placement from December 2012 to the present day?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Student submitted a Request for Due Process Hearing on April 4, 2013. This Impartial Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on April 19, 2013. A telephonic prehearing conference was conducted on May 2, 2013. Counsel for each party participated in the prehearing conference. Hearing dates of June 27, 2013, June 28, 2013 and July 11, 2013 were scheduled.

On May 2, 2013, Counsel for the Student requested a thirty-day postponement and extension of the timelines to conduct the hearing and mail the final decision in order to allow sufficient time to conduct the hearings in light of the parties’ scheduling conflicts. That request was granted.

On June 19, 2013, Counsel for the Student notified the Hearing Officer that the parties reached a settlement of the dispute and requested dismissal of the Request for Due Process Hearing.

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Accordingly, it is hereby ordered that Student’s request is granted and this case is dismissed.