

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Region 6 Board of Education

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Appearing before: Sylvia Ho, Esq.  
Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:**

1. Did the Board fail to promptly identify Student as a Student with a disability under the IDEA?
2. Did the Board fail to evaluate student in all suspected areas of disabilities?
3. Did the Board fail to provide FAPE for the two years prior to the filing of the Due process complaint?
4. Did the Board fail to provide necessary accommodations?
5. If the Board failed to provide FAPE, is Marvelwood School appropriate?
6. Should the Board be required to outplace Student at Marvelwood?
7. Should the Board be required to reimburse Parents for their payment of an independent educational evaluation?
8. Do the circumstances warrant an award of compensatory education?

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:**

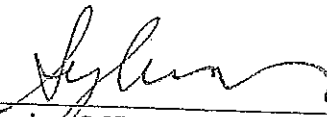
The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on October 27, 2015. The Hearing Officer was appointed on October 29, 2015 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on November 18, 2015. At the prehearing conference, the parties requested an extension of the mailing date of the Final Decision so that they could engage in voluntary mediation. The hearing was scheduled for February 4, 2016 and the mailing date of the Final Decision was extended to February 8, 2016. On February 1, 2016, the Parent's attorney reported to the Hearing Officer that the parties had settled their dispute and that the Parent was withdrawing the Due Process Complaint with prejudice.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

The matter is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.

If the local or regional board of education or the unified school district responsible for providing special education for the student requiring special education does not take action on the findings or prescription of the hearing officer within fifteen days after receipt thereof, the State Board of Education shall take appropriate action to enforce the findings or prescription of the hearing officer.

Appeals from the hearing decision of the hearing officer may be made to state or federal court by either party in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-183, Connecticut General Statutes, and Title 20, United States Code 1415(i)(2)(A).



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Hearing Officer Signature

Sylvia Ho

Hearing Officer

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