STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Glastonbury Board of Education

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Appearing before:	Attorney Patricia M. Strong, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- 1. Was the Student denied a free appropriate public education for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school years?
- 2. Was the placement in a therapeutic day program at the Grace Webb School recommended by the Planning and Placement Team at the November 16, 2009 meeting appropriate for the Student?
- 3. If not, should the Board be required to provide a residential outplacement for the Student for the balance of the 2009-2010 school year, including the extended school year?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Parents' attorney faxed a letter to the Board's Director of Special Education on March 2, 2010 requesting a due process hearing. The State Department of Education received a copy of the letter on March 3, 2010. This Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on March 4, 2010. A prehearing conference was held on March 19, 2010. The attorneys reported that they were scheduling an informal conference and perhaps mediation, but no dates had been set. Hearing dates were agreed on for April 14, 2010 and April 26, 2010. The mailing date for the final decision was set at May 17, 2010. On April 5, 2010, the Parents' attorney filed a joint request for a 30-day postponement of the hearing dates and extension of the mailing date for the final decision so that the parties could continue settlement discussions following an informal resolution session. The request was granted, the hearing was rescheduled for May 26, 2010 and the mailing date for the final decision was extended to June 19, 2010. On May 20, 2010, the Parents' attorney advised the Hearing Officer that the matter was settled and an agreement had been signed. She stated that the hearing request was being withdrawn with prejudice. On

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May 21, 2010, the Hearing Officer notified the parties that the hearing scheduled on May 26, 2010 was canceled and that a decision would be issued dismissing the case with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

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