

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student and Hartland Board of Education

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Appearing before:

Ann F. Bird, Esq.
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Hartland Board of Education offer the Student a free appropriate public education for the 2013 Extended School Year and/or the 2013/2014 School Year?
2. If not, is the Ben Bronz program appropriate?
3. If so, should the Student be placed at Ben Bronz?
4. Is the Student entitled to reimbursement of expenses or other remedies?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Student requested an Impartial Special Education Hearing in this matter on August 5, 2013. The request was later amended with the consent of the Hartland Board of Education on August 14, 2013. This Hearing Officer was appointed on August 6, 2013. A telephonic pre-hearing conference was held on August 28, 2013. The deadline for submitting the final decision was established to be October 28, 2013, and hearings were scheduled for October 15, 2013, October 21, 2013 and October 23, 2013.

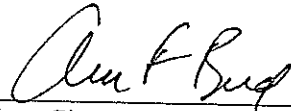
On October 4, 2013, Counsel for the Student notified the Hearing Officer that the parties had finalized a settlement in the matter and requested withdrawal of the case with prejudice.

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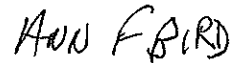
The Student's request for withdrawal is granted and this matter is hereby dismissed.

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).



Hearing Officer Signature



Hearing Officer Name in Print