STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Fairfield Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- 1. Did the District fail to meet its obligations under Child Find pursuant to 20 U.S.C.S. and R.S.C.A. S 10-76d-7?
- 2. Did the District fail to provide FAPE to the Student during the 2016-2017 school year, and extended school year period?
- 3. Did the District fail to provide FAPE to the Student for the 2017-2018 school year, and extended school year period?
- 4. If the answer is yes, is the Student's placement at Fusion Academy appropriate and therefore should the District be required by to reimburse the Parents for related expenses and appropriate costs incurred by them during the periods in question due to the District's denial of FAPE?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The parents filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on March 2, 2018. The Hearing Officer was appointed on March 2, 2018 and a Prehearing Conference was conducted on March 16, 2018, followed by a second Prehearing Conference on May 3, 2018. The hearing was scheduled for May 3, May 14. On May 14, 2018, the parties upon mutual request were given an initial extension of the hearing based upon on-going mediation. The parents, through counsel, notified the Hearing Officer that the parties have executed a settlement agreement and the parents were withdrawing their request for hearing with prejudice as of May 22, 2018.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.