STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Weston Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- 1. Did the Board violate Student's rights under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA") by denying Student a free appropriate public education ("FAPE") either substantively or procedurally for the 2017-17 school year, including ESY?
- 2. Did the Board violate Student's rights under IDEA by not offering Student FAPE either substantively or procedurally for the 2018-19 school year, including ESY?
- 3. If the Board did not provide Student FAPE for the 2017-18 school year, including ESY, is the Speech Academy an appropriate program?
- 4. If the Board did not offer Student FAPE for 2018-19 school year, including ESY, is the Speech Academy an appropriate program?
- 5. If the Board did not provide Student FAPE for the 2017-18 school year, should the Student be reimbursed for the tuition and related expenses of the Speech Academy?
- 6. If the Board did not offer Student FAPE for the 2018-19 school year should the Student be reimbursed for the tuition and related expenses of the Speech Academy?
- 7. Is compensatory education an appropriate remedy?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Parents filed the Due Process Hearing Complaint on June 11, 2018. The Hearing Officer was appointed on July 30, 2018. The Parents withdrew their complaint with prejudice on August 8, 2018.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is DISMISSED with prejudice