

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Colchester Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parent: Parent

Appearing on behalf of the  
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Appearing before: Jane Ford Shaw, Esq.  
Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUE:**

Did the Parent provide consent for the evaluations proposed during the July 24, 2019 PPT in connection with the initial special education eligibility referral?

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:**

The Student is entitled to receive a free and appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment as defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (“IDEA”) §20 U. S. C. 1401 et seq. and Connecticut General Statutes §10-76a et seq. The Parents filed the Due Process Hearing Complaint on August 21, 2019. The Hearing Officer was appointed on August 22, 2019. A Pre-Hearing conference was held on September 24, 2019. The mailing date of the final memorandum of decision was extended to December 16, 2019. A Hearing was scheduled for December 9, 2019. The Parents withdrew their complaint with prejudice on December 2, 2019.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

The matter is DISMISSED with prejudice.