

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Greenwich Board of Education

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Appearing before:

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Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:**

1. Did the Board offer an appropriate program for the 2018-19, commencing October 2018, and 2019-2020 school years, including the 2019 extended school year?
2. If not, is residential placement at Wellspring the appropriate program for the Student for the 2019-2020 school year and should the Board be ordered to place the Student residentially at WELLSRING FOR THE 2019-2020 school year?
3. Is the Student entitled to compensatory education?

**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 Student initiated this special education due process case on December 19, 2019. The Hearing Officer was appointed on December 23, 2019. The pre-hearing conference was held on January 13, 2020 and June 22, 2020. Hearings were scheduled for March 18, 25 and 27, 2020 with a mailing date deadline for the final memorandum of decision extended to April 3, 2020. On March 12, 2020, the parties requested that the Hearings in this matter be continued given the Governor’s Executive Order 7-M and circumstances related to COVID-19 and that the mailing date of the final memorandum of decision was extended to July 3, 2020. Additional hearing dates were noticed for June 30, 2020. On June 24, 2020, the Student withdrew the request for due process.

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The matter is DISMISSED