STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Greenwich Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- 1. Did the 2018-19 IEPS (6/5/18 and 11/15/18) deny the Student FAPE?
- 2. Did the Board predetermine the Student's placement at the May 29, 2019 PPT meeting? If so, are the parents entitled to reimbursement due to the procedural violation of FAPE?
- 3. Did the 2019-20 IEP deny the Student substantive FAPE?
- 4. Should the Board be ordered to reimburse the Parents for the cost of the tuition for the Dublin School and related expenses?

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 9, 2019. The Hearing Officer was appointed on December 9, 2019. The pre-hearing conference was held on December 18, 2019. A Hearing was scheduled for February 5, 2020 with a mailing date deadline for the final memorandum of decision extended to February 21, 2020. On January 16, 2020, the Student requested that the February 5, 2020 Hearing in this matter be continued and that the mailing date of the final memorandum of decision was extended to March 21, 2020. Additional hearing dates were noticed for March 10, 13 and 17, 2020. On February 20, 2020, the Student withdrew the request for due process.

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The matter is DISMISSED