

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student and Bridgeport Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student: Parent, *Pro Se*

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Attorney Marsha Moses
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Appearing before: Attorney Ann F. Bird
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

The following issues were stated in the Request for Due Process:

1. Running out of school (alone) multiple times;
2. No consistency, structure, teamwork;
3. Deep scratches on the forehead;
4. Feces being sent home in book bag; and
5. No curriculum, no functioning assessment.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Student filed a Request for Due Process on January 9, 2020. This Impartial Hearing Officer was assigned to hear the case on January 13, 2020. Attorney Marsha Moses appeared on behalf of the Bridgeport Board of Education on January 16, 2020.

On January 21, 2020, the Board of Education submitted a Sufficiency Challenge to the Request for Due Process pursuant to 34 C.F.R. Section 300.508(d). The Student did not respond to the Sufficiency Challenge. Upon review of the request for due process, the Impartial Hearing Officer determined that the Request for Due Process is not sufficient in its description of the nature of the problem.

Accordingly, on January 28, 2020, the Impartial Hearing Officer issued an Order Re Sufficiency determining that the Request for Due Process is not sufficient and allowing the Student until 5:00 p.m. on February 10, 2020 to submit an Amended Request For Due Process that provides a sufficient description of the problems being claimed in this case that are related to a proposed or refused initiation or change of identification, evaluation or educational placement of the child or the provision of a Free Appropriate Public Education to the Student, including facts relating to the problem.

The Order Re Sufficiency further stated that if the Student does not submit a sufficient amended request for due process on or before 5:00 p.m. on February 10, 2020, the request for due process will be dismissed as insufficient.

The Student did not submit a sufficient amended Request for Due Process or make any response at all to the Order Re Sufficiency within the time or at all. As a result, the Request for Due Process remains insufficient and must be dismissed.

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The Request for Due Process is dismissed as insufficient.