

March 16, 2020

Final Decision and Order
Consolidated Case No. 20-0300

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

East Hartford Board of Education v. Student
Student v. East Hartford Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parent:

Pro Se

Appearing on behalf of the Board:

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Was the Board's educational evaluation appropriate?
2. If not, should the Board be required to provide Parents with an Independent Educational Evaluation at public expense?
3. Did the Board fail to provide Student with appropriate programs in the least restrictive environment in the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years?
4. Does Student require the assistance of a 1:1 paraprofessional?
5. Should the Board be required to obtain an outside consultant to oversee the Student's program?
6. Do the circumstances warrant an award of compensatory education?
7. Did the Board violate the Parents' rights to procedural due process with regard to notice and participation?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Board filed the Due Process Complaint No. 20-0236 on December 13, 2019. The Hearing Officer was appointed on December 19, 2020 and conducted a prehearing conference on January 14, 2020. During the prehearing conference, the Parent raised a number of issues regarding disagreement with the Student's program. The Parent filed Due Process Complaint No. 20-0300 on January 14, 2020. The cases were consolidated as Case No. 20-0300 and the timelines were adjusted to reflect the mailing date of March 30, 2020 in Case No. 20-0300. The hearing was scheduled for March 27, 2020.

On February 24, 2020, both parties withdrew their complaints reported to the with prejudice after successful mediation.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.