

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Stamford Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parents: Father, pro se

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Attorney Marsha Moses
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Appearing before: Attorney Susan Dixon
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

The Issues were:

- 1) Whether the Statute of Limitations has run on the claim that the District failed to provide the Student an appropriate program for the 2017-2018 school year, including ESY 2018, and thus denied a Free and Appropriate Public Education (“FAPE”) to the Student;
- 2) Whether the District failed to provide the Student an appropriate program for the 2018-2019 school year, including ESY 2019, and thus has denied FAPE to the Student;
- 3) Whether the District failed to provide the Student an appropriate program for the 2019-2020 school year and thus denied FAPE to the Student;
- 4) Whether the Student should be placed in an appropriate special education school designed to meet her unique educational needs;
- 5) Whether the Speech Academy is an appropriate program to enable Student to make progress and meets her unique needs;
- 6) Whether the District should be ordered to provide the student with compensatory education for the District's denial of FAPE in the form of additional years at the Speech Academy;
- 7) Whether the District should reimburse the Parents for all expenses incurred by them during the periods in question due to the District's denial of FAPE.

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND:

The Student filed this Request for a Due Process Hearing on January 29, 2020. The Hearing Officer was assigned on January 30, 2020. A Prehearing Conference was held on February 5, 2020, and hearing date was set for March 24, 2020 with a date for mailing the final decision of April 14, 2020. A second Prehearing Conference was held and a short extension of time was requested to reset the hearing date to April 23, 2020 and decision mailing date to May 22, 2020. Due to statewide orders relative to hearings during the pandemic, the case was continued to June 15, 2020 and the mailing date extended to July 14, 2020. On June 1, 2020, the Parent of the Student sent notice that the matter had been settled and the request for due process has been withdrawn with prejudice. Accordingly, the matter is dismissed with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The case is DISMISSED with prejudice.