

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Groton Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the District commit procedural violations amounting to a denial of FAPE for the 2017-18 school year (starting on February 20, 2018) including the 2018 ESY?
2. Did the District deny FAPE to the Student by failing to offer her an appropriate program for the 2017-18 school year (starting on February 20, 2018) including the 2018 ESY?
3. Did the District commit procedural violations amounting to a denial of FAPE for the 2018-19 school year including the 2019 ESY?
4. Did the District deny FAPE to the Student by failing to offer her an appropriate program for the 2018-19 school year including the 2019 ESY?
5. Did the District commit procedural violations amounting to a denial of FAPE for the 2019-20 school year?
6. Did the District deny FAPE to the Student by failing to offer her an appropriate program for the 2019-20 school year?
7. If there has been a denial of FAPE, what remedies should be ordered?

SUMMARY AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

Case 20-0369 was commenced by the Parents by request received by the Board on February 20, 2020. A prehearing conference was held on March 10, 2020. At the prehearing conference, a hearing date was set for May 8, 2020 and the decision date was determined to be May 5, 2020. The hearing date was later cancelled and the decision date extended to October 2, 2020.

On August 27, 2020, the undersigned hearing officer was advised by the attorney for the Parents that the parties had reached a settlement in the case and the matter should therefore be dismissed with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is dismissed with prejudice.