

**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 Board deny FAPE for the 2019-2020 school year by: failing to evaluate the Student in all areas of suspected disability; failing to refer Student to a PPT meeting to discuss programming; failing to conduct an FBA with a qualified professional; informally accommodating and modifying programs rather than convening a formal IEP meeting ; failing to provide appropriate services to the Student; failing to convene a PPT despite having knowledge of partial hospitalization programming, suicidal ideation, diagnosed disabilities, and educational regress; and by failing to complete its proposed educational evaluations in a timely manner?
2. If so, should the Board be ordered to residentially place the Student at In Balance Academy, and are the Parents entitled to reimbursement?
3. Is the Student entitled to compensatory education?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Parents brought their Hearing Request on April 14, 2020. The Hearing Officer was appointed April 16, 2020. A Prehearing Telephone Conference took place on May 4, 2020. A hearing on the matter was subsequently scheduled for June 25, 2020.

On May 22, 2020, the Parents requested an extension of the Mailing Date, which was granted to September 28, 2020.

On August 12, 2020, the Parents informed the Hearing Officer that they were withdrawing their request for a Due Process Hearing with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED**.