

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. East Hartford Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board offer an appropriate program for the 2018-19, 2020-21 school years, including the 2018, 2019 and 2020 extended school years?
2. If not, is placement at Ben Bronz Academy the appropriate program for the Student for the 2020-21 school year and should the Board be ordered to place the Student at Ben Bronz Academy for the 2020-21 school year?
3. Is compensatory education an appropriate remedy?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Student is entitled to receive a free and appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment as defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (“IDEA”) §20 U. S. C. 1401 et seq. and Connecticut General Statutes §10-76a et seq. The Parents filed the Due Process Hearing Complaint on July 7, 2020. The Hearing Officer was appointed on July 7, 2020. The pre-hearing conference was held on August 12, 2020. The mailing date for the final memorandum of decision was set for October 18, 2020. Upon motion by the parties, the mailing date for the final memorandum of decision was extended to November 18, 2020. The Parents withdrew their complaint on October 9, 2019.

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The matter is DISMISSED