

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Enfield Board of Education

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Appearing Before:

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board fail to provide the Student with a Free and Appropriate Public Education (“FAPE”) for the 2018-2019, 2019-20 and/or 2020-2021 school year(s) including the 2019 and 2020 extended school years ?
2. If not, is residential placement at Calo the appropriate program for the Student for the 2020-2021 school year and should the Board be ordered to place Student residentially at Calo for the 2020-2021 school year?
3. Should the Board be required to provide Student with compensatory education and if so, in what form should it take?

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND:

The Student filed this Request for a Due Process Hearing on November 17, 2020. The Hearing Officer was assigned on November 25, 2020. A Prehearing Conference was scheduled and held on December 9, 2020. A hearing date of January 21, 2021 was set and the date for mailing the final decision was determined to be February 23, 2021. These hearing dates and date for mailing of the final decision were scheduled with regard to Connecticut State Executive Order 9L in force at the time of scheduling. The parties expressed their intention to engage in a resolution conference and/or mediation, which ultimately brought about an agreement. On January 13, 2021, counsel for the Student requested a number of continuances: first to January 29, then to February 10 and finally to February 17, 2021.

These postponements were requested due to an apparent difficulty in obtaining all signatures on the settlement documents. On February 12, 2021, the Hearing Officer was notified that all documents finally had been received and signed by the parties and this case has been withdrawn with prejudice by agreement.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The case is DISMISSED with prejudice.