

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Enfield Board of Education

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board appropriately assist in transitioning Student from a hospital setting to Benhaven?
2. Did the Board convene sufficient PPTs to specifically address and attempt to remedy attendance and other issues?
3. Did the Board evaluate the Student in all areas of suspected disabilities in 2019?
4. Did the Board offer and provide Student with FAPE for the two years prior to the filing of the Due Process complaint?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Guardian filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on September 22, 2020. The Hearing Officer was appointed on September 27, 2020 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on October 8, 2020. The hearing was scheduled for November 17, 2020. The Guardian requested a postponement of the hearing and extension of the mailing date of the Final Decision in order to continue negotiations. The request was granted. The hearing was postponed to December 17, 2020 and mailing date was extended to January 4, 2021. The hearing convened on December 17, 2020. The parties reported that they were very close to the execution of a settlement agreement. The hearing was continued. On December 23, 2020, the Guardian withdrew the Due Process Complaint with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.