

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Fairfield Board of Education

Appearing on Behalf of the Student: Pro Se

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Appearing Before: Attorney Justino Rosado, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board's program for the 2005-2006 school year provide the Student with a free, appropriate, public education (FAPE) as required in 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1401 et seq?
2. If not, should the Board be required to pay for the proposed services of the Disability Resource Network?
3. Should the Student be required to graduate with the Class of 2006?
4. Is the Student entitled to compensatory education?

SUMMARY:

The Student is a 19 year old young man who has been identified as Learning Disabled and is eligible to receive special education and related services as stated in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1401 et seq. and Connecticut General Statute Sec. 10-76a. The Student objected to the 2005-2006 IEP proposed by the Board and requested that he be placed at Disability Resource Network at the Board's expense. The Board denied the Student's request.

On or about March 16, 2006, the Board received notice of the Student's request for due process. A pre-hearing conference was held on or about March 31, 2006. Hearing dates of April 24 and April 27, 2006 were chosen by the parties. Instead of a resolution meeting the parties decided to have a formal mediation. The parties were able to resolve their issue and the Student requested the matter be dismissed with prejudice. The Final Decision and Order date was extended to June 10, 2006 in order to accommodate the parties' mediation.

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The due process hearing is DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE.