

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Bridgeport Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student: Pro Se

Appearing on behalf of the Board of Education: Attorney Susan Freedman
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Appearing before: Christine B. Spak, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION

The prehearing in this matter was conducted on December 27, 2006 and the parties both participated. The Parent expressed the concern that her son had not been properly educated for years in the Board's programs and now resists making an effort on school work because the Parent believes he has learned he will be passed from grade to grade whether he makes an effort or not. The Board expressed concern about the sufficiency of the request and subsequently filed a Sufficiency Challenge. Prior to ruling on this Challenge and prior to hearing, the Parent indicated she preferred to withdraw her request for due process without prejudice and participate in mediation to attempt to resolve the issues.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The hearing is dismissed without prejudice.