

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parent: Parents, *Pro se*
Appearing on behalf of the Board: Director of Special Education
Appearing before: Mary H.B. Gelfman, Esq.
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

Evaluation and services for a pre-school student who had received speech assistance in the Birth to Three Program.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

This hearing was requested on September 24, 2008, and this hearing officer was appointed on September 26, 2008. The parties requested mediation on October 10, 2008, which was held on October 21 and 27, 2008, with an agreement being reached on the latter date. Parents withdrew their request for hearing October 28, 2008.

In order to comply with the confidentiality requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g and related regulations at 34 C.F.R. § 99, the following decision uses “Student”, “School”, “Parent”. And titles of school staff members and other witnesses in place of names and other personally identifiable information.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

Section 10-76h, Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.), and related regulations at Section 10-76h, Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, authorize an impartial hearing officer to conduct a special education hearing and to render a final decision in accordance with Sections 4-176e through 4-180a, inclusive, and Sections 4-181a of the C.G.S. Section 20 U.S.C. § 1415(f) and related regulations at 34 C.F.R. § 300.511 through § 300.520 also authorize special education hearings.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The Parents having withdrawn their request for a hearing, this matter is DISMISSED without prejudice.