STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Trumbull Board of Education

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Appearing before:

Sylvia Ho, Esq., Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- 1. Did the Board provide Student with an appropriate program for 2012-2013 school year and extended school year?
- 2. Did the Board properly classify Student's category of disability?
- 3. Did the Board offer an appropriate program for the 2013-2014 school year?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The parents brought the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on July 18, 2013. The Hearing Officer was appointed the same day. The Hearing Officer conducted a prehearing conference on August 19, 2013 and a hearing was scheduled for September 18, 2013. On September 3, 2013, the parent's attorney reported that the parties had engaged in mediation with a state appointed mediator and remained in negotiations. On September 13, 2013, the parent's attorney requested a postponement of the hearing and extension of the mailing dates to continue negotiations. The request was granted and the hearing was rescheduled to October 15, 2013 and the mailing date of the Final Decision was extended from October 1, 2013 to October 31, 2013. On October 3, 2013, the parent's attorney notified the Hearing Officer that the parents and the board were continuing to negotiate their dispute and requested that the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing be withdrawn without prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.