# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Weston Board of Education

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Appearing before:

Sylvia Ho, Esq. Hearing Officer

## **FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

#### **ISSUES:**

- 1. Did the Board promptly identify Student as a student with a disability under the IDEA?
- 2. Did the Board provide appropriate programs during the school years and extended school years for the two-year period prior to the filing of the Due Process Complaint?
- 3. Did the Board offer an appropriate program for the 2014-2015 school year?
- 4. If the answer to 1 or 2 above are no, should the Board be required to reimburse Parents for their payment of tuition and education expenses?

# PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on April 6, 2015. The Hearing Officer was appointed on April 7, 2015 and issued a Notice of Prehearing Conference on April 8, 2015. On April 8, 2015, the Parent's attorney reported the parties had settled their dispute and that the Parent was withdrawing the Due Process Complaint.

### FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED**.

If the local or regional board of education or the unified school district responsible for providing special education for the student requiring special education does not take action on the findings or prescription of the hearing officer within fifteen days after receipt thereof, the State Board of Education shall take appropriate action to enforce the findings or prescription of the hearing officer.

Appeals from the hearing decision of the hearing officer may be made to state or federal court by either party in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-183, Connecticut General Statutes, and Title 20, United States Code 1415(i)(2)(A).

Hearing Officer Signature

Sylvia Ho

Hearing Officer

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