

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Guilford Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:**

1. Did the District fail to provide Olivia with FAPE during the 2015-2016 school year, and extended school year period;
2. Did the District fail to provide Olivia with FAPE during the 2016-2017 school year, and extended school year period;
3. If not, was Pacific Quest an appropriate placement, where Olivia could access her education and make educational progress;
4. If so, should the District reimburse the Parents for the cost of Pacific Quest from September 8, 2016 to November 24, 2016, including related expenses;
5. If 1 or 2 are in the negative, is Chrysalis an appropriate placement, where Olivia can access her education and make educational progress;
6. If so, should the District reimburse the Parent for the cost of Chrysalis from November 25, 2016, through the end of the 2016-2017 school year, including the extended school year and related expenses;
7. If one or 2 are in the negative, do the circumstances warrant an award of compensatory education?

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:**

The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on February 28, 2017. The Hearing Officer was appointed on the same day and conducted a Prehearing Conference on March 10, 2017. The hearing was scheduled for May 8, 2017. On May 3, 2017, the Parents withdrew the Due Process Complaint with prejudice.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

The matter is **DISMISSED** with prejudice.