

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Ridgefield Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board offer an appropriate individualized education program (“IEP”) for the 2017-2018 school year?
2. If the Board failed to offer an appropriate IEP for 2017-2018, does Winston Prep offer an appropriate program and should the Parents be reimbursed for the costs of tuition paid by Parents to Winston Prep?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY: On August 8, 2017, the Board received a special education due process hearing request filed by Parents. The undersigned Hearing Officer was appointed on August 10, 2017. During the prehearing conference held on August 30, 2017, the deadline for mailing the final decision and order was established as October 20, 2017. During the conference, the parties indicated that the matter had settled and a withdrawal was anticipated. A hearing date of October 18th, 2017 was set on September 11, 2017. On September 20, 2017, Parents withdrew their request for a special education hearing with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER: In light of the above facts, the case is dismissed.