STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Region 19 Board of Education

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the District fail to provide Student with a free appropriate public education ("FAPE") for that portion of the 2016-2017 school year beginning on July 13, 2016?

- 2. Did the District fail to provide Student with a FAPE for the extended school year ("ESY") in the summer 2017?
- 3. Did the District fail to provide Student with a FAPE for the 2017-2018 school year?
- 4. Did the District fail to propose an appropriate program for Student for ESY in the summer of 2018?
- 5. Did the District fail to propose an appropriate program for the 2018-2019 school year?
- 6. If District failed to propose a program reasonably calculated to deliver a FAPE, what is the appropriate program?
- 7. Is Parent entitled to be paid for services Parent is providing to the Student?
- 8. Is Student entitled to compensatory education? If so, what form should the compensatory education take?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY: On July 13, 2018, the Region 19 Board of Education received a request for a special education due process hearing filed by the Parents. The undersigned hearing officer was appointed on July 18, 2018. A prehearing conference was held on September 19, 2017. During this conference, the deadline for mailing the final decision and order was established as September 26, 2018 and hearing dates of October 31, 2018, December 7, 2018, December 13, 2018, December 14, 2018 were set. Attorney for the Parents requested an extension of the original mailing deadline to allow the parties to engage in mediation. The Board did not object to this request, which was granted pursuant to R.C.S.A 10-76h-9(e) on September 24, 2018 and resulted in a revised mailing deadline of October 26, 2018. On October 18, 2018, Parents withdrew their request for a special education due process hearing without prejudice.

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