

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Manchester Board of Education

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Appearing before: Attorney Brette H. Fitton
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board provide the Student with a Free Appropriate Public Education (“FAPE”) for the Extended School Year (“ESY”) of 2012?
2. Did the Board provide the Student with a FAPE for the 2012-2013 school year?
3. Did the Board provide the Student with a FAPE for the ESY of 2013?
4. Did the Board provide the Student with a FAPE for the 2013-2014 school year?
5. Is Board’s proposed program for the 2014-2015 academic year appropriate?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND SUMMARY:

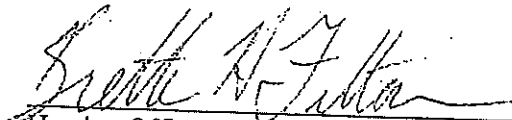
On July 1, 2014, the Manchester Board of Education received a Request for a Special Education Due Process Hearing and the undersigned hearing officer was appointed. On July 9, 2014, a Notice of Prehearing Conference was sent to the Parties. On July 9, 2014, Counsel for the Parents withdrew the hearing request.

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In light of the above facts, the case 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

Brette H. Fitton
Hearing Officer Name in Print