

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Fairfield Board of Education

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Appearing before:

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Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Did the Board offer appropriate programs in the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 school years?
2. If not, is Eagle Hill-Southport an appropriate placement?
3. If so, should the Board be required to reimburse Parents for tuition and education related expenses at Eagle Hill?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

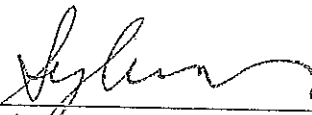
The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on July 1, 2015. The Hearing Officer was appointed on July 8, 2015 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on July 21, 2015. The hearing was scheduled for October 1, 2015. On September 29, 2015 the Parent's attorney reported to the Hearing Officer that the Parents were withdrawing the Due Process Complaint without prejudice.

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The matter is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

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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