Division of Elementary and Secondary Education - Office of Special Education Advisory Council for the Education of Children with Disabilities Dispute Resolution, April 2023

The following allegations were addressed in due process hearing decisions and complaint investigation reports completed in the previous quarter. An issue that has been substantiated by facts as determined by a due process hearing officer or complaint investigation team is followed by (S). An issue in which one or more allegations were substantiated while other allegations were not will be marked as partially substantiated (PS). An issue that was not substantiated is followed by (NS). Rendered decisions found to have no corrective action is followed by (No C/A).

DUE PROCESS HEARING ISSUES

H-23-02

1. failure to comply with provisions set forth in Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Specifically, by failing to provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE). (NS)

EH-23-14

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OPEN HEARINGS (27)

	Case#	School District	<u>Status</u>
<u>2021</u>	H-21-32	Palestine-Wheatley SD	Pending Compliance
	H-21-34	Benton SD	Pending Compliance
	H-21-39	Palestine-Wheatley SD	Pending Compliance
<u>2022</u>	H-22-01	Palestine-Wheatley SD	Pending Compliance
	H-22-25	El Dorado SD	Pending Compliance
	H-22-34	LRSD	Pending Compliance
	H-22-38	Benton SD	Pending Compliance

<u>2023</u>

H-23-06 H-23-08 H-23-10 H-23-13 EH-23-14 H-23-16 H-23-17 H-23-18 H-23-22 H-23-23 H-23-24 H-23-25 H-23-26 H-23-27 H-23-29 H-23-30 H-23-31 H-23-32	Paragould SD Vilonia SD LRSD Quitman SD Booneville SD Booneville SD Palestine-Wheatley SD PCSSD Vilonia SD Vilonia SD Greenbrier SD Greenbrier SD Greenwood SD LRSD Marion SD LRSD Vilonia SD Vilonia SD	Pending Hearing Pending Hearing Pending Hearing Pending Hearing Pending Compliance Pending Hearing Pending Hearing
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H-23-34 H-23-35	Vilonia SD Pending	Pending Hearing

CLOSED HEARINGS

Case# School District

<u>Status</u>

<u>2023</u>

H-23-02	Greenwood SD
H-23-12	Arch Ford Co-op/Quitman SD
H-23-19	Quitman SD
H-23-20	Malvern SD
H-23-21	Quitman SD
H-23-28	LRSD
H-23-33	HazenSD

Decision Issued/No CA Dismissed Dismissed Dismissed Dismissed Dismissed

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION ISSUES

C-23-12

- 1. that the District failed to develop and provide behavioral supports including a Behavior Intervention Plan (NS).
- 2. that the District changed placement to a more restrictive setting than needed (S).
- 3. that the District utilized frequent short term removals and "soft removals" as a means to address behavior, resulting in a change of placement (NS).
- 4. that the District failed to conduct a Manifestation Determination Review prior to a change in placement due to behavior (NS).

C-23-13

- that the District failed to develop and implement an IEP for the Student that is reasonably calculated to allow for meaningful progress by not following the IEP as written (S).
- 2. that the District failed to provide a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) due to the Student being bullied (NS).

C-23-14

- that the District failed to develop and implement an IEP for the Student that is reasonably calculated to allow for meaningful progress, specifically that the District did not follow the IEP as written by not providing accommodations and modifications as listed in the IEP (S).
- 2. that the District failed to allow for meaningful participation by not providing notification of progress toward goals (S).

C-23-16

- 1. that the District failed to develop and implement an IEP for the Student that is reasonably calculated to allow for meaningful progress (NS).
- 2. that the District failed to provide an adequate program by shortening the school day and no return plan in place (NS).
- 3. that the District failed to provide a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) by requiring the parent's private insurance to fund counseling services at school (NS).

C-23-19

1. that the District failed to develop and implement and Individualized Education Program (IEP) for the Student that is reasonably calculated to allow for meaningful progress [8.0101], specifically that the District did not follow the IEP as written by not providing the accommodations and modifications listed in the IEP resulting in incorrect grades (S).

OPEN COMPLAINTS (15)

	Case#	School District	<u>Status</u>	
<u>2022</u>				
	C-22-20	Lakeside Chicot SD	Pending Compliance	
	C-22-25	LISA Academy	Pending Compliance	
	C-22-28	West Memphis SD	Pending Compliance	
	C-22-33	White Hall SD	Pending Compliance	
	C-22-34	KIPP Delta SD	Pending Compliance	
2023				
	C-23-13	Jacksonville North Pulaski SD	Pending Compliance	
	C-23-14	PCSSD	Pending Compliance	
	C-23-19	Texarkana SD	Pending Compliance	
	C-23-20	Spring Hill SD	Pending Investigation	
	C-23-21	LRSD	Pending Investigation	
	C-23-22	AR School for the Deaf	Pending Investigation	
	C-23-23	Lamar SD	Pending Investigation	
	C-23-24	England SD	Pending Investigation	
	C-23-25	Cutter Morning Star SD	Pending Investigation	
	C-23-26	Benton SD	Pending Investigation	

CLOSED COMPLAINTS

(7)

	Case#		School District	<u>Status</u>
<u>2022</u>	C-22-27	Decatur SD		Met Compliance
<u>2023</u>				
	C-23-05 C-23-12 C-23-15 C-23-16 C-23-17 C-23-18	Jonesboro/Crowley's Ridge SD PCSSD Texarkana SD Springdale SD Cabot SD Lakeside SD		Met Compliance Met Compliance Withdrawn Closed No C/A Withdrawn Withdrawn