Division of Elementary and Secondary Education - Office of Special Education Advisory Council for the Education of Children with Disabilities Dispute Resolution, July 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-23-10

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)

H-23-13

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H-23-18

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). (S)

H-23-22/30 (combined)

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OPEN HEARINGS (22)

	Case#	School District	<u>Status</u>
2021			
	H-21-32	Palestine-Wheatley 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
<u>2023</u>	H-23-08 H-23-13 H-23-17 H-23-18 H-23-22/30 H-23-23 H-23-25 H-23-26 H-23-29 H-23-31 H-23-32 H-23-35 H-23-36	Vilonia SD Greenbrier SD Greenwood SD LRSD LRSD Conway SD Vilonia SD Vilonia SD Bradford SD	Pending Hearing Pending Compliance Pending Compliance Pending Compliance Pending Compliance Pending Hearing
	H-23-37	PCSSD	Pending Hearing
	H-23-38	Malvern SD	Pending Hearing
	H-23-39	Bentonville SD	Pending Hearing

CLOSED HEARINGS (11)

Case#	School District	<u>Status</u>
2021 H-21-34	Benton SD	Met Compliance
2022 H-22-34 H-22-38	LRSD Benton SD	Met Compliance Met Compliance
2023 H-23-06 H-23-10 EH-23-14 H-23-16 H-23-18 H-23-27 H-23-34 H-23-40	Paragould SD LRSD Booneville SD Booneville SD PCSSD Marion SD Harrisburg SD PCSSD	Dismissed Closed No C/A Met Compliance Dismissed Met Compliance Dismissed Dismissed Dismissed

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION ISSUES

C-23-20

- 1. that the District failed to develop and implement an IEP for the Student that is reasonably calculated to allow for meaningful progress by not addressing the Student's mental health needs. (S).
- 2. that the District denied FAPE by not following District procedures when the Student was bullied (S).
- 3. that the District placed the burden for access to FAPE on the parent (NS).
- 4. that the District failed to conduct a Manifestation Determination prior to changing placement (NS).

C-23-21

1. 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 by not providing the accommodations and modifications listed in the IEP (S).

C-23-22

- 1. that the District failed to provide meaningful parent participation by failing to give the Parent timely notice of conference (S).
- 2. that the District of Attendance failed to provide meaningful parent participation by not including the purpose of the meeting on the Notice of Conference Form (S).
- 3. that the District of Attendance failed to provide meaningful parent participation by not having all the required IEP team members during the meeting (S).
- 4. that the District of Attendance conducted a Functional Behavior Assessment without informed written consent (S).
- 5. 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 IEP did not meet the behavioral needs of the Student (S).
- 6. that the District of Attendance failed to develop and implement an IEP for the Student that is reasonably calculated to allow for meaningful progress, specifically, that the related service of transportation was not provided (S).
- 7. that the District denied FAPE by refusing to provide educational services. The DESE-OSE Investigative team determined that the Student was not provided educational services during times of removal from the learning environment (S).

C-23-23

- 1. that the District failed to conduct a Manifestation Determination Review after multiple suspensions that resulted in a change of placement (S).
- 2. that the District failed to revise the IEP as appropriate to address any lack of progress toward the annual goals as described in 34 CFR 300.320(a)(2) and [8.04.3.2] before giving failing grades to the Student (NS).

C-23-25

 that District failed to develop and implement an IEP for the Student that is reasonably calculated to allow for meaningful progress, specifically by not following the IEP as written (S)

C-23-28

- that the District failed to develop and implement an Individual Education Program (IEP) for the Student that is reasonably calculated to allow for meaningful progress (S).
- 2. that the IEP did not meet the literacy needs of the Student (S).

OPEN COMPLAINTS (19)

	Case#	School District	<u>Status</u>
2022			
	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-23-20	Spring Hill SD	Pending Compliance
	C-23-21	LRSD	Pending Compliance
	C-23-22	AR School for the Deaf	Pending Compliance
	C-23-23	Lamar SD	Pending Compliance
	C-23-25	Cutter Morning Star SD	Pending Compliance
	C-23-27	Melbourne SD	Pending Investigation
	C-23-28	Warren SD	Pending Compliance
	C-23-29	Springdale SD	Pending Investigation
	C-23-30	NLRSD	Pending Investigation
	C-23-31	Texarkana SD	Pending Investigation
	C-23-33	Barton Lexa SD	Pending Investigation
	C-23-36	NLRSD	Pending Mediation
	C-23-37	LISA Academy	Pending Mediation

CLOSED COMPLAINTS

(6)

	Case#	School District	<u>Status</u>
2023			
	C-23-19	Texarkana	Met Compliance
	C-23-24	England SD	Withdrawn
	C-23-26	Benton SD	Closed No C/A
	C-23-32	Bentonville SD	Withdrawn
	C-23-34	Lonoke SD	Denied
	C-23-35	PCSSD	Denied