BEFORE THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE CONSOLIDATED MATTERS INVOLVING:

PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT,

AND

SANTA ROSA ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL,

OAH CASE NUMBER 2024100217

OAH CASE NUMBER 2024100146

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR VIDEOCONFERENCE MEDIATION AND DENYING CONTINUANCE OF DUE PROCESS HEARING

OCTOBER 10, 2024

MEDIATION DATE is October 30, 2024, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

MEDIATION will occur via telephone or video.

DUE PROCESS HEARING continuance is denied without prejudice. See below.

ANY CHANGES TO THE PARTICIPANTS' EMAIL ADDRESSES PROVIDED BY THE PARTIES IN THEIR REQUEST MUST BE FILED TWO BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED EVENT.

REASON FOR DENIAL:

OAH must conduct a due process hearing and issue a decision within 45 days of receiving the due process complaint, unless an extension is granted. (34 C.F.R. § 300.515(a); Ed. Code, §§ 56502, subd. (f), 56505, subd. (f)(3).) Resolving the due process hearing quickly is legally required. Hearings may only be continued if "good cause" is established. (Ed. Code, § 56505, subd. (f)(3).) OAH is guided by the Administrative Procedure Act and the California Rules of Court when ruling on continuance motions. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 1, § 1020; Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1332.) Generally, continuances are disfavored. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1332(c).)

The parties have failed to establish good cause for the requested continuance. The current hearing dates of November 19, through 21, 2024, are approximately three weeks after the requested mediation date of October 30, 2024. The parties have failed to justify the requested continuance to mid-December 2024.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Laurie Gorsline

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Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Hearings