

BEFORE THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Consolidated Matters of:

PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT,

OAH Case No. 2014041152

v.

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT AND SIMI VALLEY UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT,

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT,

OAH Case No. 2014070148

v.

PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT.

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR
CONTINUANCE AND SETTING
PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND
DUE PROCESS HEARING

On August 26, 2014, the parties filed a request to continue the dates in this matter on the grounds that they are in the process of resolving the matter and require further time to obtain necessary information.

A due process hearing must be conducted and a decision rendered within 45 days of receipt of the due process notice unless an extension is granted for good cause. (34 C.F.R. § 300.515(a) & (c) (2006); Ed. Code, §§ 56502, subd. (f), 56505, subd. (f)(3); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 1, § 1020.) As a result, continuances are disfavored. Good cause may include the unavailability of a party, counsel, or an essential witness due to death, illness or other excusable circumstances; substitution of an attorney when the substitution is required in the interests of justice; a party's excused inability to obtain essential testimony or other material evidence despite diligent efforts; or another significant, unanticipated change in the status of the case as a result of which the case is not ready for hearing. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1332(c).) The Office of Administrative Hearings considers all relevant facts and circumstances, including the proximity of the hearing date; previous continuances or delays; the length of continuance requested; the availability of other means to address the problem giving rise to the request; prejudice to a party or witness as a result of a continuance; the impact of granting a continuance on other pending hearings; whether trial counsel is engaged in another trial; whether the parties have stipulated to a continuance; whether the interests of

justice are served by the continuance; and any other relevant fact or circumstance. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1332(d).)

OAH has reviewed the request for good cause and considered all relevant facts and circumstances. The request is:

☒ Granted. All dates are vacated. **No further continuances without a showing of substantial good cause.** This matter will be set as follows:

Prehearing Conference:	November 10, 2014, at 1:00 PM
Due Process Hearing:	November 17 – 20, 2014, starting at 1:30 PM on November 17, 2014, and continuing day to day, Monday through Thursday, as needed at the discretion of the Administrative Law Judge.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATE: August 26, 2014

/s/

BOB N. VARMA
Presiding Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Hearings