

BEFORE THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of:

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT,

v.

PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT.

OAH Case No. 2015060649

ORDER FOLLOWING PREHEARING
CONFERENCE AND GRANTING
CONTINUANCE

On June 29, 2015, a telephonic prehearing conference was held before Administrative Law Judge Kara Hatfield, Office of Administrative Hearings. Father appeared on behalf of Student. Christine Wood, Attorney at Law, appeared on behalf of Los Angeles Unified School District. The PHC was recorded.

Based on discussion with the parties, the ALJ issues the following order:

1. Request for a Continuance and Hearing Dates, Times, and Location. Student requested a continuance and District did not oppose. OAH has reviewed the request for good cause and considered all relevant facts and circumstances. The request is granted. Accordingly, all dates are continued and this matter is calendared as follows:

Mediation:	August 4, 2015, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Prehearing Conference:	August 31, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.
Due Process Hearing:	September 9 and 10, 2015, and continuing day to day, Monday through Thursday as needed at the discretion of the ALJ. The hearing shall begin each day at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. with the exception of the first day, on which day the hearing shall begin at 9:30 a.m., unless otherwise ordered.

The parties shall immediately notify all potential witnesses of the hearing dates, and shall subpoena witnesses if necessary, to ensure that the witnesses will be available to testify. A witness will not be regarded as unavailable for purposes of showing "good cause" to continue the hearing if the witness is not properly notified of the hearing date or properly subpoenaed, as applicable.

2. Settlement. The parties are encouraged to continue their attempts to reach an agreement before the due process hearing. The parties shall inform OAH in writing immediately should they reach a settlement or otherwise resolve the dispute before the scheduled hearing. If a settlement is reached five business days or fewer before the due process hearing is scheduled to begin, the parties shall, in addition, immediately inform OAH of that fact by telephone at (916) 263-0880. Dates for hearing will not be cancelled until the letter of withdrawal or signature page of the signed agreement has been received by OAH. If an agreement in principle is reached, the parties should plan to attend the scheduled hearing unless different arrangements have been agreed upon by the assigned ALJ. IF A FULL AND FINAL SETTLEMENT IS REACHED AFTER 5:00 P.M. ON THE LAST BUSINESS DAY PRIOR TO HEARING, THE PARTIES SHALL LEAVE A VOICEMAIL MESSAGE REGARDING THE SETTLEMENT AT (916) 274-6035, AND SHALL ALSO LEAVE CELLULAR PHONE NUMBERS OF EACH PARTY OR COUNSEL FOR EACH PARTY. The ALJ will check for messages the evening prior to the hearing and the morning of the hearing.

3. Failure to comply with this order may result in the exclusion of evidence or other sanctions.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATE: June 30, 2015

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KARA HATFIELD
Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Hearings