

**BEFORE THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT,**

v.

**LOS ANGELES LEADERSHIP PRIMARY ACADEMY.
OAH CASE NUMBER 2019071131**

**ORDER DENYING LOS ANGELES LEADERSHIP PRIMARY ACADEMY'S
MOTION TO CHANGE MEDIATION VENUE**

On September 5, 2019, the Office of Administrative Hearings, also called OAH, granted the parties' request for mediation and continuance of hearing dates, and set the mediation at Los Angeles Leadership Primary Academy, at 2670 Griffin Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90031, as requested by the parties.

On September 17, 2019, Los Angeles Leadership Primary Academy made a motion to change the hearing location to the office of its legal counsel in Thousand Oaks. OAH has not received a response from Student.

APPLICABLE LAW

The place for conducting a due process hearing must be reasonably convenient to the parents and student involved the proceeding. (34 C.F.R. § 300.515, subd. (d).) California Education Code section 56505, subdivision (b), directs the place for a due

process hearing and provides that the "hearing shall be held at a time and place reasonably convenient to the parent or guardian and the pupil." This also includes the location to conduct a mediation.

DISCUSSION

Los Angeles Leadership Primary Academy wishes to change the mediation location to Thousand Oaks. However, Los Angeles Leadership Primary Academy failed to establish that this location is reasonably convenient to Parents, and did not provide any information that it met conferred with Student's attorney regarding any location change. Accordingly, Los Angeles Leadership Primary Academy's motion to change the mediation location is denied. However, if the parties wish, the September 23, 2019 mediation can take place at the Office of Administrative Hearings. 15350 Sherman Way, Suite 300, Van Nuys, CA 91406.

ORDER

1. Los Angeles Leadership Primary Academy motion to change the location of the mediation is denied.
2. If parties wish to mediate at the Office of Administrative Hearings, they shall inform OAH in writing by 5:00 PM, on September 18, 2019.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: September 17, 2019

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Peter Paul Castillo
Presiding Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Hearings