

BEFORE THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:
PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT,

v.

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

OAH CASE NUMBER 2026060508

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE

JULY 16, 2026

On June 9, 2026, Student filed a request for due process hearing, called a complaint, with the Office of Administrative Hearings, called OAH, naming Los Angeles Unified School District. On June 10, 2026, OAH issued a Scheduling Order setting the prehearing conference on July 20, 2026, and the hearing on July 28, 29, and 30, 2026. On July 8, 2026, OAH granted the parties' joint request for mediation. The parties mediated the matter on July 16, 2026.

On July 15, 2026, Student filed a request for a continuance of the hearing based on his counsel's unavailability for hearing. Student's counsel will be out of state due to her spouse's surgery, scheduled on July 29, 2026. Additionally, Student's counsel has an earlier-filed matter, OAH Case Number 2026040351, scheduled for hearing on the same dates as this matter. Student's counsel filed a motion to continue in that matter, but the

motion has not yet been ruled upon. Should the continuance not be granted, a hearing in the earlier-filed matter would take priority. On July 16, 2026, Los Angeles filed a statement of non-opposition to Student's motion.

OAH must conduct a due process hearing and render a decision within 45 days of receipt of the due process notice unless an extension is granted. (34 C.F.R. § 300.515(a); Ed. Code, §§ 56502, subd. (f), 56505, subd. (f)(3).) Speedy resolution of the due process hearing is mandated by law and continuance of the hearing may be granted only upon a showing of good cause. (Ed. Code, § 56505, subd. (f)(3).) In ruling upon a motion for continuance, OAH is guided by the provisions found within the Administrative Procedure Act and the California Rules of Court that concern motions to continue. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 1, § 1020; Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1332.) Generally, continuances of matters are disfavored. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1332(c).)

Student established good cause to continue the due process hearing based on his counsel's unavailability for a hearing in this matter on the currently scheduled dates. This is the first request for a continuance of this matter. Additionally, the motion was unopposed.

The request is granted. All previously scheduled dates are vacated. The new dates are:

PREHEARING CONFERENCE will be held on August 17, 2026, at 3:00 PM.

DUE PROCESS HEARING will be held on August 25, 26, and 27 2026.

The prehearing conference and due process hearing will be held by videoconference or telephone, unless otherwise ordered. The due process hearing will begin at 9:30 AM on all days, and generally end at 3:30 PM, unless otherwise ordered.

The hearing will continue day to day, as needed, at the discretion of the Administrative Law Judge. Prehearing conference statements and motions are due to OAH no later than three business days before the prehearing conference. Late motions will only be considered if good cause is established for the late filing.

The parties must immediately give potential witnesses the hearing dates, and must subpoena witnesses, if necessary, so they are available to testify. Failing to properly notify or subpoena a witness is not good cause to delay the hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanie Min".

Jeanie Min

Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings