

BEFORE THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

SADDLEBACK VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT,

v.

PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT.

OAH CASE NUMBER 2026051096

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO AMEND COMPLAINT

JULY 24, 2026

On May 26, 2026, Saddleback Valley Unified School District, called Saddleback Valley, filed a due process hearing request, called a complaint, with the Office of Administrative Hearings. The complaint named Parent on behalf of Student. The Office of Administrative Hearings is referred to as OAH. On July 20, 2026, Saddleback Valley filed a motion to amend the complaint and an amended complaint. No opposition was received from Student. The due process hearing is set to begin on August 4, 2026.

An amended complaint may be filed when the other party consents in writing and is given the opportunity to resolve the complaint through a resolution session, or when the hearing officer grants permission. The hearing officer may grant permission at any time more than five days before the due process hearing. (20 U.S.C.

§ 1415(c)(2)(E)(i).) The filing of an amended complaint restarts the applicable timelines for the due process hearing. (20 U.S.C. § 1415(c)(2)(E)(ii).)

Saddleback Valley's original complaint sought an order that its November 17, 2025 multidisciplinary assessment was appropriate and that it was not required to fund an independent educational evaluation. The amended complaint adds a second claim seeking an order that its February 4, 2026 IEP offered Student a free appropriate public education.

The motion to amend was filed more than five days prior to the due process hearing. Therefore, it is timely and is granted. The amended complaint shall be deemed filed on the date of this order. All applicable timelines shall be reset as of the date of this order. OAH will issue a scheduling order with the new dates.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings