

BEFORE THE  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:  
PARENTS ON BEHALF OF STUDENT,

v.

MERCED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MERCED UNION HIGH  
SCHOOL DISTRICT.

OAH CASE NUMBER 2026041342

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO AMEND COMPLAINT

AUGUST 13, 2026

On April 27, 2026, Student filed a Due Process Hearing Request, referred to as a complaint, with the Office of Administrative Hearings, naming Merced City School District, called Merced City District, and Merced Union High School District, called Merced High School District. The Office of Administrative Hearings is referred to as OAH. On August 11, 2026, Student filed a Motion to Amend the Due Process Hearing Request and a proposed amended complaint. On August 12, 2026, Merced City School District, and Merced High School District each filed with OAH a non-opposition to Student's motion to amend due process complaint. The due process hearing is set to start on August 25, 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).)

The motion to amend was filed more than five days prior to the due process hearing and the responding parties do not oppose the amendment. 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.

*Christine Arden*

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Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings