BEFORE THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT,

v.

IRVINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

OAH CASE NUMBER 2026030071

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO AMEND COMPLAINT AND ORDER GRANTING JOINT REQUEST FOR MEDIATION

APRIL 1, 2026

On March 2, 2026, Student filed a Due Process Hearing Request, referred to as a complaint, with the Office of Administrative Hearings, naming Irvine Unified School District. The Office of Administrative Hearings is referred to as OAH. OAH set a due process hearing for April 21, 2026.

On March 23, 2026, Student filed a Motion to Amend the Due Process Hearing Request and an amended complaint. No opposition was received from Irvine Unified.

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. 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. The joint mediation requested by the parties on March 19, 2026, is granted and mediation shall occur on April 9, 2026, 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, via videoconference, unless cancelled by a party. OAH will issue a scheduling order with the new dates for prehearing conference and due process hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Judith Pasewark

Judith Pasewark
Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Hearings