

2025-26 Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing Dispositions

This document contains a copy of the decision or order that disposed of each Louisiana special education due process hearings filed on or between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026. Each case filed during the relevant timeframe is included in the informational table below. If a matter has been decided, the order or decision disposing of the matter will appear below. This document is updated at least monthly on the last business day of the month.

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LDOE Case Number	Public Agency	Disposition	Date of Disposition
56-H-01	St. Charles Parish Schools	Withdrawn	August 11, 2025
56-H-02	NOLA Public Schools	Pending	--
56-H-03	Lincoln Parish Schools	Dismissed	October 6, 2025
56-H-04	Rapides Parish Schools	Withdrawn	October 6, 2025
56-H-05-E	New Harmony Schools	Dismissed	September 25, 2025
56-H-06	Lafourche Parish Schools	Pending	--
56-H-07	Monroe City Schools	Withdrawn	October 18, 2025
56-H-08	Bossier Parish Schools	Pending	--
56-H-09	East Baton Rouge Parish Schools	Withdrawn	October 20, 2025
56-H-10	Calcasieu Parish Schools	Withdrawn	October 20, 2025
56-H-11	Caddo Parish Schools	Pending	--
56-H-12-E	New Harmony Schools	Pending	--
56-H-13	Lincoln Parish Schools	Pending	--
56-H-14	Lincoln Parish Schools	Pending	--
56-H-15	Lincoln Parish Schools	Dismissed	November 3, 2025

Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-01



**STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

SCHOOL DISTRICT

* **DOCKET NO. 2025-15501-DOE-IDEA**

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IN THE MATTER OF

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PARENT ON BEHALF OF CHILD

* **AGENCY ID. 56-H-01**

ORDER TERMINATING ADJUDICATION

Parent, on behalf of Child,¹ filed a due process hearing request alleging School District denied Child a free appropriate education. On August 7, 2025, Parent, on behalf of Child, filed a Motion to Withdraw Hearing Request as it relates to the due process complaint.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Parent, on behalf of Child's, Motion to Withdraw Hearing Request is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above matter entitled *School District in the matter of Parent on Behalf of Child* is **TERMINATED**.

Rendered and signed on August 11, 2025, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER

I certify that on Monday, August 11, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court

Division of Administrative Law



Tameka Johnson-Moore
Administrative Law Judge
Division of Administrative Law

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LEGEND

Parent



Child



School Board

St. Charles Parish Public Schools

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I certify that the attached **Order Terminating Adjudication** in **Docket No. 2025-15501-DOE-IDEA** has been served to the following individuals by regular, first-class mail, certified mail, and/or electronic mail on August 11, 2025.

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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-02



Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-03



STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

SCHOOL DISTRICT¹

* DOCKET NO. 2025-16824-DOE-IDEA

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IN THE MATTER OF

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PARENT ON BEHALF OF MINOR

* AGENCY ID. 56-H-03

**ORDER GRANTING SCHOOL DISTRICT'S
PEREMPTORY EXCEPTION OF NO CAUSE OF ACTION**

On September 19, 2025, School District, through its counsel, Carlar M. Alexander, filed a *Peremptory Exception of No Cause of Action (Exception)* seeking to dismiss Parent on behalf of Minor's due process complaint. For the reasons explained below, School District's *Exception* is **GRANTED**.

Administrative Law Judge Leighann N. Guilbeau conducted the hearing on School District's *Exception* by telephone on October 1, 2025. Parent appeared for the hearing as a self-represented litigant. Carlar M. Alexander appeared as counsel for School District.

On August 25, 2025, Parent filed a due process complaint with the Louisiana Department of Education on behalf of Minor. In the complaint, Parent wrote:

[Minor] was attending [REDACTED] on in district transfer. We had an IEP meeting scheduled on 8-22-25. It was cancelled. [Minor] received a referral for language on 8-20-25. [School District] called on 8-21-25 [and] told me to send [Minor] back to CHS. [Minor] has nothing but issues there. One reason we asked to transfer. [Minor] wanted to attend [REDACTED] for sports and new beginning. I would [sic] him to remain at [REDACTED] under the stay put until this is resolved.

In its *Exception*, School District argued Parent does not have a cause of action for a due process hearing under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) because the due process complaint does not address any matters relating to the identification, evaluation, or

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educational placement of Minor or the provision of a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to Minor. School District argued the “stay put” provision of IDEA is not applicable because the due process complaint does not allege a genuine dispute regarding the child’s educational placement under IDEA. School District contended Minor’s transfer to the new school was approved only to allow Minor to participate in football and was not related to any special education services. School District alleged Minor’s prior school is capable of implementing ■■■ Individualized Education Program (IEP) and providing FAPE in the least restrictive environment. School District asserted that the meeting mentioned in Parent’s due process complaint was a parent conference, not an IEP team meeting, as School District had not proposed any changes to Minor’s IEP, placement, or special education services. School District also argued it no longer has responsibility for providing services or placing Minor because Parent withdrew Minor from School District on August 21, 2025, to begin homeschooling Minor.

Parent argued that Minor has health issues which prevent ■■■ from playing football. Parent stated ■■■ was under the impression Minor could still attend the new school because other students do so and it is a bigger school with more opportunities. Parent stated Minor wanted to attend the new school for reasons other than football and that Minor had not been given an opportunity to participate in other extracurricular activities, including other sports, at the new school because of the limited time Minor had been allowed to attend. Parent stated ■■■ felt Minor was not given an opportunity to fully participate at the new school. Parent reported no meeting had been conducted before School District called and advised that Minor had to return to the previous school. Parent advised Minor has an IEP. Parent stated ■■■ did not know whether ■■■ transfer request had anything to do with the IEP. Parent confirmed Minor is homeschooled and no longer enrolled in School District. Parent advised ■■■ withdrew Minor

from School District the day ■ learned Minor would have to attend the prior school. Parent stated the prior school was administering some provisions of Minor's IEP, but Parent was not happy with how those services were being administered. Parent stated Minor was having issues at the prior school and that is another reason why Parent wanted Minor to attend a different school.

School District's *Exception* is granted. An administrative law judge's jurisdiction is limited to issues related to the identification, evaluation, placement, of a child and the provision of FAPE.² Parent's request that Minor remain at a school based upon an in-district transfer request related to Minor's desire to participate in extracurricular activities and have a "new beginning" is outside the scope of IDEA. The due process complaint did not state any issues related to the identification, evaluation, or placement of Minor as it relates to ■ disability. Parent did not allege that School District denied Minor FAPE. Parent's due process complaint did not allege that Minor's transfer was related to Minor's IEP or special education services. Parent's due process complaint specifically stated that Minor wanted to attend the new school for "sports and [a] new beginning." These issues do not fall under IDEA. Accordingly, Parent's request for a due process hearing is dismissed because the due process complaint does not state a cause of action under IDEA.³

During the hearing on School District's *Exception*, the parties agreed to schedule the due process hearing for October 17, 2025. The due process hearing scheduled for October 17, 2025, is canceled because Parent's request for a due process hearing has been dismissed.

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² 34 C.F.R. § 300.507 (2025).

³ 34 C.F.R. § 300.507 (2025); Louisiana Administrative Code (LAC) 28:XLIII.507.A ; LAC 28:XLIII.511. *See also* LAC 28:XLIII.504.A.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that School District's *Peremptory Exception of No Cause of Action* is **GRANTED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Parent's request for a due process hearing is **DISMISSED**, and the above-captioned adjudication is **TERMINATED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the due process hearing scheduled for October 17, 2025, is **CANCELED**.

Rendered and signed on October 6, 2025, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER

I certify that on Monday, October 06, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court

Division of Administrative Law



Leighann N. Guilbeau

Administrative Law Judge

Division of Administrative Law

Legend

Parent: [REDACTED]

Minor: [REDACTED]

School District: Lincoln Parish Schools

School District Representative: Phaedra Blake

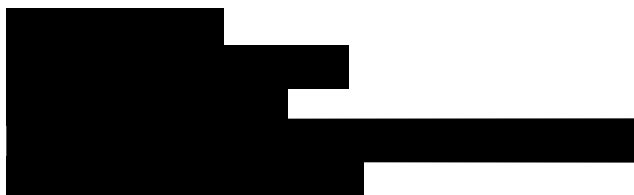
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the attached **Order Granting School District's Peremptory Exception of No Cause of Action** in **Docket No. 2025-16824-DOE-IDEA** has been served to the following individuals by regular, first-class mail, certified mail, and/or electronic mail on October 6, 2025.

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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-04



STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

SCHOOL DISTRICT¹

* DOCKET NO. 2025-17056-DOE-IDEA

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IN THE MATTER OF

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PARENT ON BEHALF OF MINOR

* AGENCY ID. 56-H-04

ORDER TERMINATING ADJUDICATION

On September 11, 2025, Parent participated in a mediation with School District. As part of that mediation, Parent signed a binding mediation settlement agreement to withdraw [REDACTED] request for a due process hearing.² Parent confirmed in a conference with the undersigned administrative law judge conducted on October 6, 2025, that [REDACTED] did not rescind the settlement agreement within three days of signing it. The request to dismiss the instant due process hearing based upon the mediation settlement agreement is granted.³

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the matter entitled *School District in the Matter of Parent on Behalf of Minor* bearing docket number 2025-17056-DOE-IDEA is **TERMINATED**.

Rendered and signed on October 6, 2025, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER

I certify that on Monday, October 06, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court

Division of Administrative Law



William H. Cooper
Administrative Law Judge
Division of Administrative Law

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² See Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 28, Part XLIII, Bulletin 1706, § 510.D. Parent has not voided the mediation settlement agreement within three days of its signing.

³ Parent may seek counsel to advise [REDACTED] on future actions in enforcing the mediation settlement agreement or filing a new due process hearing request.

Legend

Parent



Minor



School District

Jeff Powell

School District Representative

Michael Yoist, Special Education Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the attached **Order Terminating Adjudication** in **Docket No. 2025-17056-DOE-IDEA** has been served to the following individuals by regular, first-class mail, certified mail, and/or electronic mail on October 6, 2025.

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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-05-E



**STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

SCHOOL DISTRICT¹

*** DOCKET NO. 2025-18215-DOE-IDEA**

IN THE MATTER OF

PARENT ON BEHALF OF MINOR

AGENCY ID. 56-H-05-E

ORDER TERMINATING ADJUDICATION

Parent on behalf of Minor filed an expedited due process hearing request on September 17, 2025, claiming that Minor was suspended from School District without a prior meeting with Parent, that Minor was prohibited by School District from returning to school, and that Parent was not provided a copy of Minor's school records related to [REDACTED] suspension. A telephone prehearing conference was conducted on September 24, 2025, at 1:00 PM. During the telephone conference, Parent confirmed Minor's date of birth. At the time Parent filed the expedited due process hearing request, Minor was 18 years old.

When a student with a disability reaches 18 years old, all rights accorded to parents under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) transfer to the student, except for a student with a disability who has been determined to be incompetent under state law.² The administrative record does not reflect that Minor has been determined to be incompetent under Louisiana law. Absent a showing that Minor has been deemed incompetent and that Parent retained parental rights under IDEA, Parent does not have standing to initiate a due process hearing request on behalf of Minor in the above-entitled matter. Therefore, Parent's request for an expedited due process hearing is dismissed.

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² See Louisiana Administrative Code 28:XLIII.520. See also 20 United States Code Annotated § 1415(m) and *Neville v. Dennis*, No. 07-2202-CM-DJW, 2007 WL 2875376, at *2 (D. Kansas October 3, 2007).

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the matter bearing docket number 2025-18215-DOE-IDEA is **TERMINATED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the telephone conference scheduled for October 7, 2025, at 1:00 PM and the due process hearing scheduled for October 16, 2025, at 9:00 AM are **CANCELLED**.

Rendered and signed on September 25, 2025, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER

I certify that on Thursday, September 25, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court

Division of Administrative Law



Lynette Roberson
Administrative Law Judge
Division of Administrative Law

REVIEW RIGHTS

This decision is final unless it is appealed. Any aggrieved party has the right to appeal the findings and decision by filing a civil action within ninety (90) days from the date of this decision in a state court of competent jurisdiction or in a district court of the United States in accordance with Louisiana Administrative Code 28:XLIII.516.

Legend

Parent



Minor



School District

New Harmony High School

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the attached **Order Terminating Adjudication** in **Docket No. 2025-18215-DOE-IDEA** has been served to the following individuals by regular, first-class mail, certified mail, and/or electronic mail on September 25, 2025.

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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-06



Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-07



**STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

SCHOOL DISTRICT¹

*** DOCKET NO. 2025-18907-DOE-IDEA**

IN THE MATTER OF

**GRANDPARENT ON BEHALF OF
MINOR**

*** AGENCY ID. 56-H-07**

ORDER TERMINATING ADJUDICATION

On October 8, 2025, Grandparent on behalf of Minor withdrew their request for a due process hearing.

On October 8, 2025, the Division of Administrative Law received from the Director of Student Support Services for School District the signed Resolution Meeting Verification Form, documenting that the parties held a resolution meeting on September 24, 2025, and resolved the issues forming the basis of the request for the due process hearing.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the request for due process hearing in the matter entitled Grandparent on behalf of Minor bearing docket number *2025-18907-DOE-IDEA* is **TERMINATED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the prehearing telephone conference scheduled for October 15, 2025, at 10:00 AM, is **CANCELLED**.

Rendered and signed on October 8, 2025, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER

I certify that on Wednesday, October 08, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court

Division of Administrative Law

Esther A. Redmann

Esther A. Redmann

Administrative Law Judge

Division of Administrative Law

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Legend

Grandparent



Minor



School District

Monroe City Schools

School District Representative

Sam Moore, III, Superintendent

Director of Student Support Services

Rochelle Williams

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the attached **Order Terminating Adjudication** in **Docket No. 2025-18907-DOE-IDEA** has been served to the following individuals by regular, first-class mail, certified mail, and/or electronic mail on October 8, 2025.

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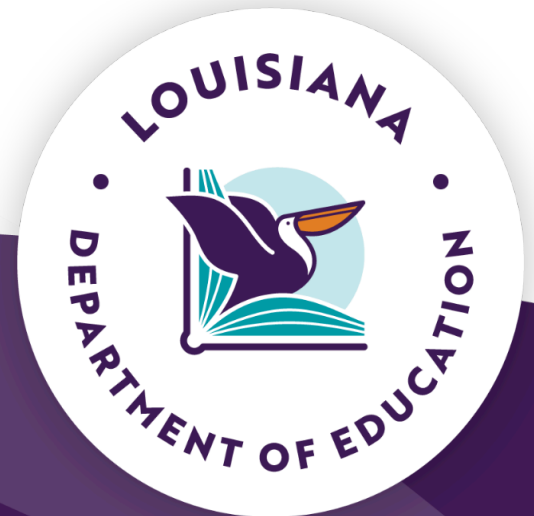
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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-08



Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-09



STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

SCHOOL DISTRICT¹

* DOCKET NO. 2025-19725-DOE-IDEA

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IN THE MATTER OF

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PARENT ON BEHALF OF MINOR

* AGENCY ID. 56-H-09

ORDER TERMINATING ADJUDICATION

On October 7, 2025, Parent on behalf of Minor filed a *Request for Due Process Hearing*, which was assigned Docket Number 2025-19725-DOE-IDEA. The matter is scheduled for a telephone status conference on October 28, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. On October 20, 2025, Parent on behalf of Minor filed a notice with the tribunal indicating that Parent would like to cancel [REDACTED] due process hearing request as the parties have decided to engage in mediation to resolve this matter.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Parent on behalf of Minor's request for a due process hearing is **DISMISSED**, and the adjudication under docket number 2025-19725-DOE-IDEA is **TERMINATED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the telephone status conference scheduled for October 28, 2025, at 3:30 p.m., is **CANCELLED**.

Rendered and signed on October 20, 2025, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Anthony J. Russo

Anthony J. Russo
Administrative Law Judge
Division of Administrative Law

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER




I certify that on Monday, October 20, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court

Division of Administrative Law

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LEGEND

Parent	
Minor	
School District	East Baton Rouge Parish School System
School	
School District Representative	Dr. Janet Harris

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-10



**STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

SCHOOL DISTRICT¹

*** DOCKET NO. 2025-20051-DOE-IDEA**

IN THE MATTER OF

PARENTS ON BEHALF OF MINOR

AGENCY ID. 56-H-10

ORDER TERMINATING ADJUDICATION

On October 20, 2025, School District, through School District Representative, withdrew its request for a due process hearing. Accordingly, the telephone status conference scheduled for October 30, 2025, and the hearing by Zoom videoconference scheduled for November 7, 2025, are canceled.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that School District's request for a due process hearing is **DISMISSED**, and the above-captioned adjudication is **TERMINATED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the telephone status conference scheduled for October 30, 2025, and the hearing by Zoom videoconference scheduled for November 7, 2025, are **CANCELED**.

Rendered and signed on October 20, 2025, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER

I certify that on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court
Division of Administrative Law

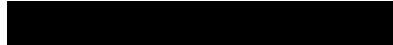


Leighann N. Guilbeau
Administrative Law Judge
Division of Administrative Law

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Legend

Parents



Minor



School District

Calcasieu Parish Schools

School District Representative

Mike Hill

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the attached **Order Terminating Adjudication** in **Docket No. 2025-20051-DOE-IDEA** has been served to the following individuals by regular, first-class mail, certified mail, and/or electronic mail on October 21, 2025.

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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-11



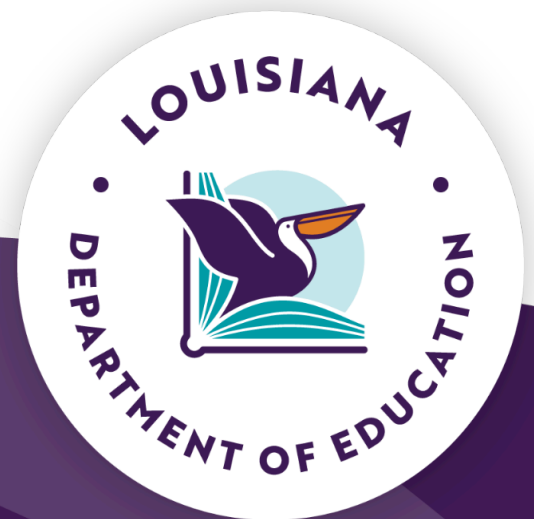
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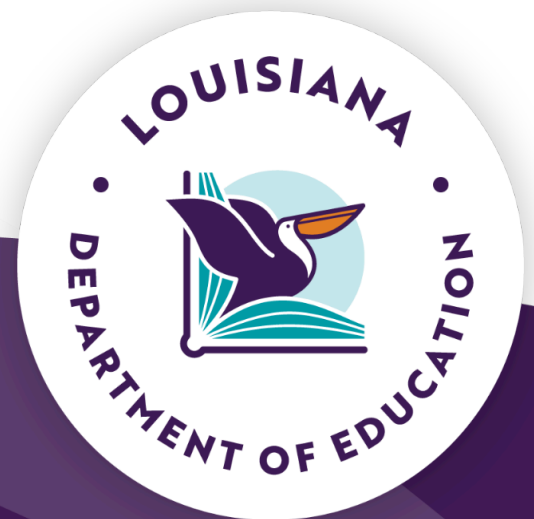
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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

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Louisiana Special Education Due Process Hearing

56-H-15



**STATE OF LOUISIANA
DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW**

SCHOOL DISTRICT¹

*** DOCKET NO. 2025-21160-DOE-IDEA**

IN THE MATTER OF

PARENT ON BEHALF OF MINOR

*** AGENCY ID. 56-H-15**

**ORDER DISMISSING DUE PROCESS HEARING REQUEST
WITHOUT PREJUDICE**

On October 27, 2025, the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) received a written request for a due process hearing from Parent on behalf of Minor. On October 29, 2025, LDOE forwarded Parent’s request to the Division of Administrative Law (DAL).

Parent’s due process complaint includes a “Request for Special Education Due Process Hearing” form provided by LDOE. The first page of the due process hearing request form includes Minor’s name, address, and school. The first page of due process hearing request form also includes information about the alleged violation. Parent submitted additional pages with the due process hearing request form, detailing the nature of the problem and a proposed solution.

Parent’s additional pages include allegations of failure to provide a free appropriate public education to all four of [REDACTED] children. Parent provided the following proposed solution: “Parent requests [School District] immediately pay for all 4 [] children to go to a private school. The full and complete expense to be bore [sic] by the [School District] for the entirety of their education without stipulations.”

The second page of the due process hearing request form required Parent to certify that [REDACTED] sent a copy of the form to School District and required Parent to sign the due process hearing request form. Both the first and second pages of the due process hearing request form state that

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Parent must sign the due process hearing request form. Parent did not sign the due process hearing request form, and ■ did not certify that ■ sent a copy of the form to School District.

Due Process Complaint Requirements

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires that a due process complaint contain certain minimal information: the name and address of the child; the name of the school the child is attending; a description of the nature of the child's problem; and a proposed resolution of the problem.² In addition, state rules require that due process hearing requests be signed.³ The party filing a request for a due process hearing must forward a copy of the request for a due process hearing to the other party.⁴

The IDEA contemplates only individual due process hearings.⁵ A hearing officer is within his authority to reject a due process hearing request made on behalf of more than one child.⁶

Parent's due process hearing request included Minor's name and address and the name of Minor's school. However, the information Parent provided regarding the Minor's problem and a proposed solution involved allegations and a solution applicable to all of Parent's children. In addition, Parent did not sign the due process hearing request form, and ■ did not certify that ■ forwarded a copy of the request to School District, as required by state rules. For these reasons, Parent's due process complaint does not meet federal and state requirements. Parent's due process complaint is dismissed without prejudice.

² 20 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 1415(b)(7)(A)(ii); 34 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) § 300.508(b) (2024); Louisiana Administrative Code (LAC) 28:XLIII.508.B.

³ LAC 28:XLIII.152.A.

⁴ LAC 28:XLIII.508.A.1.

⁵ *Z.F. ex rel. M.A.F. v. Ripon Unified Sch. Dist.*, 365 F. App'x 77, 79 (9th Cir. 2010).

⁶ *Id.* (citing 20 U.S.C. § 1415(b)(6)(A) (mandating an opportunity to present a complaint as to "the child") and 20 U.S.C. 1415(f)(1)(B)(i)(IV) (discussing resolution involving "the parents of the child")).

Parent may refile ■ due process hearing request with LDOE and include only Minor's problem and a proposed solution applicable only to Minor.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Parent's due process hearing request is insufficient and is **dismissed, without prejudice.**

Rendered and signed on November 3, 2025, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

NOTICE OF TRANSMISSION OF DECISION OR ORDER

I certify that on Monday, November 03, 2025, I have sent a copy of this decision/order to all parties of this matter.

Clerk of Court

Division of Administrative Law



Lynette Roberson

Administrative Law Judge

Division of Administrative Law

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Minor



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the attached **Order Dismissing Due Process Hearing Request without Prejudice in Docket No. 2025-21160-DOE-IDEA** has been served to the following individuals by regular, first-class mail, certified mail, and/or electronic mail on November 3, 2025.

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