

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION SUMMARY

COMPLAINT NUMBER: CP-134-2007/2365.07
COMPLAINT INVESTIGATOR: Brian Simkins
DATE OF COMPLAINT: September 26, 2006
DATE OF REPORT: October 26, 2006
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION: no
DATE OF CLOSURE: December 27, 2006

COMPLAINT ISSUES:

Whether the Rensslear Central School Corporation and the Cooperative School Services violated:

511 IAC 7-27-7(a) by failing to implement the student's individualized education program (IEP) as written, specifically by not providing the required speech services.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

1. The Student, 8 years old, is identified as a student with a communication disorder, and has been determined eligible for special education and related services. The Student attends a local private school (the "School").
2. The Student's IEP dated August 14, 2006, indicates that the Student will receive direct instruction in speech/language two sessions a week for 20 minutes a session. The IEP also indicates the date of implementation as August 14, 2006.
3. The Speech Therapist's log and notes indicate that speech services did not begin until September 11, 2006. The first day of school for the 2006-2007 school year was August 16, 2006. The Student has missed six speech therapy sessions (2 hours) since school started.

CONCLUSION:

Findings of Fact #2 and #3 indicate that the School failed to provide six required speech therapy sessions for a total of two hours. Therefore, a violation of 511 IAC 7-27-7(a) is found.

The Department of Education, Division of Exceptional Learners requires the following corrective action based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions listed above.

CORRECTIVE ACTION:

The Rensslear Central School Corporation and the Cooperative School Services shall:

Convene the Student's case conference committee to determine how six speech therapy sessions totaling two hours of therapy will be made up. A copy of the Case Conference Report and IEP shall be submitted to the Division no later than December 1, 2006.