WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS DIVISION SPECIAL EDUCATION COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION

Complaint Case: C-004-25

Public Agency: Campbell County School District 1

Issues Investigated and Decision:

1. Whether the District provided a FAPE consistent with the IDEA and its implementing regulations at 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.17 and 300.101. Specifically,

a. Whether the District developed and implemented an IEP that was reasonably calculated to result in educational benefit in light of the Student's unique physical and transportation needs consistent with 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.320 and 300.324.

WDE finds a violation. Due to the physical limitations of the Student, FAPE must include accessible, door to door transportation.

b. Whether the District provided special education placement in conformity with the LRE requirements consistent with 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.114 through 300.117 when the District unilaterally changed the Student's placement by eliminating transportation services resulting in the Student being unable to attend school.

WDE finds a violation. When the District made the unilateral decision to send the Student home on August 27, 2024 to receive services remotely, the District impermissibly altered the Student's LRE based on factors other than the Student's educational needs.

The district is required to correct the identified violations via a corrective action plan. The WDE will monitor and document compliance with the corrective action order. Once all corrective action is complete, the WDE will close the case.