# BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STATE OF NEBRASKA

***	) CASE NO. 21-10
Petitioner,	)
vs.	) FINAL ORDER
NORTHWEST PUBLIC SCHOOLS Dr. Jeff E. Edwards, Superintendent 2710 N. North Road Grand Island, NE 68806	) ) ) )
Respondent.	)

This matter was filed by the Petitioner in accordance with Title 92, Chapter 61 of the Nebraska Administrative Code, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §79-239. On May 3, 2021, the Petitioner, during the prehearing conference, declared withdrawing her request for an appeal. The Hearing Officer has recommended withdrawal of the appeal upon the verbal request of the Petitioner.

WHEREFORE, the Nebraska State Board of Education finds and orders that the Petitioner's Petition should be and hereby is dismissed.

DATED this 74h day of May, 2021.

NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Mauren J. Nickel

Maureen Nickels, President Nebraska State Board of Education

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the above Order was mailed by regular United States mail to all affected parties on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2021, at the following addresses:

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Dr. Jeff E. Edwards, Superintendent Northwest Public Schools 2710 N. North Road Grand Island, NE 68806

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)	RECOMMENDED DECISION
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#### INTRODUCTION

Petitioner has filed this appeal, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 79-239 (Supp. 2010), and Title 92, NAC Chapter 61. Petitioner requests that the State Board of Education reverse the Respondent School District's decision disapproving the application filed by Petitioner to enroll their son in the Northwest Public Schools for the 2021-22 school year.

On May 3, 2021, the parties held their prehearing planning conference by Zoom video conferencing at Petitioner's request, with the Petitioner present and Dr.

Edwards, superintendent of Respondent present. All parties could hear and see each other until moved off screen but could still be heard. During the prehearing conference the Petitioner, audible off screen, declared the Petitioner was withdrawing request for an appeal. Having considered the request to withdraw the appeal, the Hearing Officer makes the following proposed recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law and decision.

The Petitioner is a resident of the Grand Island Public School District. Petitioner has asked the Hearing Officer to withdraw the appeal of case at the prehearing planning conference.

Title 92 NAC 61 Sections 006.04 and 006.05 allow for amendments to pleadings with the Hearing Officer's consent and allow for informal disposition. The Hearing Officer consents to the oral request for withdrawal of her appeal.

The Hearing Officer recommends that the State Board of Education accept the request of the Petitioner to withdraw her appeal and to dismiss the appeal.

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I certify that on May 3, 2021, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document by email on the following parties:

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