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G.P., on behalf of minor child, Y.S.,	:	
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PETITIONER,	:	
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V.	:	COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION
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BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF WOODLAND PARK, PASSAIC COUNTY,	:	DECISION
	:	
RESPONDENT.	:	
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#### SYNOPSIS

Petitioner filed a *pro se* residency appeal on behalf of his child, Y.S., in July 2012. A hearing at the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) was scheduled for March 13, 2013, but petitioner failed to appear despite having received appropriate notice of the hearing and advisement of such was forwarded to the Commissioner. Petitioner submitted no explanation for his nonappearance. Accordingly, this matter was no longer deemed to be a contested case before the Commissioner and was dismissed with prejudice.

This synopsis is not part of the Commissioner's decision. It has been prepared for the convenience of the reader. It has been neither reviewed nor approved by the Commissioner.

April 17, 2013

OAL DKT. NO. EDU 9475-12  
AGENCY DKT. NO. 184-7/12

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The record of this matter – transmitted to the Commissioner by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 1:1-14.4* and including an advisement of petitioner's failure to appear at the OAL hearing scheduled for March 13, 2013 – has been reviewed. Petitioner filed no explanation for his failure to appear, notwithstanding the opportunity to do so. Accordingly, this matter is no longer deemed to be a contested case before the Commissioner and is hereby dismissed with prejudice.<sup>1</sup>

IT IS SO ORDERED.<sup>2</sup>

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Date of Decision: April 17, 2013  
Date of Mailing: April 18, 2013

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<sup>1</sup> By letter dated July 20, 2012, the Board withdrew its counterclaim for tuition costs.

<sup>2</sup> This decision may be appealed to the Appellate Division of the Superior Court pursuant to *P.L. 2008, c. 36* (*N.J.S.A. 18A:6-9.1*).