

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATE OF GEORGIA**

MARK W.,	:	
	:	
Appellant,	:	
	:	CASE NO 1991-35
vs.	:	
	:	DECISION
THOMAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION,	:	
	:	
Appellee.	:	

This is an appeal by Mark W. (“Student”) from a decision by the Thomas County Board of Education (“Local Board”) to suspend him for the remainder of the 1991-1992 school year because he failed to attend an in-school suspension session upon the advice of his father. The Student made a general appeal and did not provide any grounds for reversing the Local Board’s decision. The standard for review by the State Board of Education is that if there is any evidence to support the decision of the local board of education, then the local board’s decision will stand unless there has been an abuse of discretion or the decision is so arbitrary and capricious as to be illegal. See, Ransum v. Chattooga County Bd. of Educ., 144 Ga. App. 783 (1978); Antone v. Greene County Bd. of Educ., Case No. 1976-11 (Ga. SBE, Sep. 8, 1976). The Local Board’s decision is sustained.

This 12th day of March, 1992.

Mr. Brinson was absent.

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James H. Blanchard
Vice Chairman for Appeals