

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE OF GEORGIA

<b>R. S.,</b>	:	
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<b>Appellant,</b>	:	
	:	<b>CASE NO. 1998-56</b>
<b>vs.</b>	:	
	:	<b>DEC CASE NO. 1998-56</b>
<b>EFFINGHAM COUNTY</b>	:	
<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION,</b>	:	
	:	
<b>Appellee.</b>	:	<b>DECISION</b>

This is an appeal by R. S. (Student) from a decision by the Effingham County Board of Education (Local Board) to uphold the decision of a student disciplinary tribunal to suspend him from school for eight days after finding him guilty of assault on school personnel, battery on school personnel, and confrontation (fighting) at school. The Student claims that there was no evidence he struck a teacher while he engaged in a fight with another student. The suspension period for the Student has passed and the State Board of Education cannot provide him with any relief. Any issues raised by the Student are, therefore, moot and the appeal must be dismissed. *See, e.g., Robert E. v. Fayette Cnty. Bd. of Educ.*, Case No. 1996-12 (Ga. SBE, Aug. 8, 1996). Accordingly, the appeal is hereby DISMISSED.

This 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 1999.

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Larry Thompson  
Vice Chairman for Appeals