

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATE OF GEORGIA**

A.C.,	:	
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Appellant,	:	
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v.	:	CASE NO. 2010-90
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MUSCOGEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION,	:	DECISION
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Appellee.	:	

This is an appeal by A.C. (“Student”) from a decision by the Muscogee County Board of Education (“Local Board”) suspending the Student from school for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year and assigning the Student to the Local Board’s alternative school for the first semester of the 2010-2011 school year. The Local Board took these actions because it found that the Student violated the Local Board’s rules by engaging in fighting.

The Local Board contends that this appeal should be dismissed on the grounds that the Student failed to timely file and serve her brief by June 18, 2010, or request oral argument. See Chris M. v. McIntosh County Bd. of Educ., Case No. 1995-47 (Ga. SBE, Jan. 11, 1996). The Student’s brief was due by June 19, 2010, as June 18, 2010, was a Sunday. The Student did not file her brief until July 22, 2010, and it does not appear the Student served her brief on counsel for the Local Board. Thus, the Student failed to timely file her brief and did not serve it on counsel for the Local Board as required by the State Board rules. Therefore, the State Board concludes that this appeal has been abandoned. See H.L. v. Henry County Bd. of Educ., Case No. 2010-53 (Ga. SBE, April 2010). Accordingly, the appeal is hereby **DISMISSED**.

This _____ day of September 2010.

MARY SUE MURRAY
VICE CHAIR FOR APPEALS