STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE OF GEORGIA

LESLIE CARROLL, :

:

Appellant,

CASE NO 1993-37

vs. :

: DECISION

CAMDEN COUNTY :

BOARD OF EDUCATION,

:

Appellee. :

This is an appeal by Leslie Carroll (Appellant) from a decision by the Camden County Board of Education (Local Board) to deny her grievance claim that her principal was forcing her to change student grades. Appellant has not shown that any school law was involved in the grievance, or that the Local Board failed to follow the grievance procedures. The appeal, therefore, is dismissed.

On approximately May 27, 1993, Appellant, a sixth grade teacher, filed a Level I grievance under the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 20-2-989.5. Appellant claimed that her principal was forcing her to change the grades of her students. The principal denied Appellant's grievance, as did the Local Superintendent when Appellant appealed the principal's decision. Appellant then appealed to the Local Board. The Local Board granted Appellant a hearing on August 20, 1993.

Appellant claimed that her principal was forcing her to change the grades of her students. The principal explained to the Local Board that he had requested Appellant to re-evaluate the grades she had issued and that he had asked Appellant to be consistent in her grading. The Local Board voted to deny Appellant's grievance. Appellant then appealed to the State Board of Education.

On appeal, Appellant has not shown that the Local Board's decision involved an interpretation or administration of school law, as required for the State Board of Education to have jurisdiction to review the decision of a local board of education under O.C.G.A. § 20-2-1160. The appeal, therefore, is hereby

DISMISSED.

This 13th day of January, 1994.

Mrs. King, Mr. McGlamery and Dr. Thomas were not present. Mr. Lathem's seat is vacant due to his resignation effective December 1993.

Robert M. Brinson Vice Chairman for Appeals