

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATE OF GEORGIA

ROSEANNA J.,	:	
	:	
Appellant,	:	
	:	CASE NO. 1993-47
vs.	:	
	:	DECISION
BEN HILL COUNTY	:	
BOARD OF EDUCATION,	:	
	:	
Appellee.	:	

The parent of Roseanna J. (Student) filed an appeal to the State Board of Education from a decision by the Ben Hill County Board of Education (Local Board) to permanently expel the Student after a Student Disciplinary Tribunal found her guilty of cutting another student on the forehead and arm with a sharp instrument while in the assistant principal's office. The Student's parent did not file a brief or appear for oral argument. Although the Student's parent's appeal claims the Student was denied legal representation, the punishment was excessive, the Local Board ignored mitigating circumstances, the Local Board discriminated against the Student, and the principal had a conflict of interest, the Student's parent did not explain any of these claims or show where any of them were supported in the record. The Student's parent also has not shown any error on the part of the Local Board. Because the Student and her parent failed to pursue the appeal, the appeal is hereby DISMISSED.

This 10th day of March, 1994.

Mr. Williams was not present. Mr. Lathem's seat is vacant due to his resignation effective December 31, 1993.

Robert M. Brinson
Vice Chairman for Appeals