

CADRE State Dispute Resolution Summary Report

Prepared by CADRE, the Center for Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Special Education, based on Annual Performance Report and IDEA Section 618 Dispute Resolution data reported to the Office of Special Education Programs of the U. S. Education Department.*

School Year 2004-05	MASSACHUSETTS		Total Child Count (ages 3 to 21):	161,993	% Served (ages 6 to 17):	14.03%			
	<u>Written Complaints</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Mediations</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Due Process Hearings</u>	Reported	Per 10K
	(1) Filed	412	25.4	(1) Requests	660	40.7	(3) Requests	768	47.4
	(1.1) Reports Issued	258	15.9	(2.1)(a) Held, DP Related	58	3.6	(3.1) Resolution Meetings	0	0.0
	(1.1)(a) Reports with Findings	206	12.7	(2.1)(a)(i) Agreements, DP Related	48	3.0	(3.1)(a) Settlement Agreements	0	0.0
	[Reports with No Findings]	52	3.2	(2.1)(b) Held, Not DP Related	602	37.2	(3.2) Held (Fully Adjudicated)	12	0.7
	(1.1)(b) Completed w/in 60 Days	162	10.0	(2.1)(b)(i) Agreements, Not DP Related	519	32.0	(3.2)(a) Decisions w/in 45 Days	1	0.1
	(1.1)(c) Completed w/in Extension	16	1.0	[Total Held]	660	40.7	(3.2)(b) Decisions w/in Extension	10	0.6
	[Total w/in Timelines]	178	11.0	[Total Agreements]	567	35.0	[Decisions Within Timelines]	11	0.7
	(1.2) Withdrawn or Dismissed	71	4.4	(2.2) Mediations Not Held	0	0.0	[Pending]	18	1.1
	(1.3) Pending	83	5.1				(3.3) Resolved w/o a Hearing	738	45.6
	(1.3)(a) Pending Hearing	52	3.2						
							<u>Expedited Due Process Hearings**</u>		
							(4) Expedited Hearing Requests	69	4.3
							(4.1) [Expedited] Resolution Sessions	0	0.0
							(4.1)(a) [Expedited] Settlement Agreements	0	0.0
							(4.2) Expedited Hearings (fully adjudicated)	1	0.1
							(4.2)(a) Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0

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School Year 2005-06 MASSACHUSETTS Total Child Count (ages 3 to 21): 162,654 % Served (ages 6 to 17): 14.26%

<u>Written Complaints</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Mediations</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Due Process Hearings</u>	Reported	Per 10K	
(1) Filed	479	29.4	(1) Requests	772	47.5	(3) Requests	568	34.9	
(1.1) Reports Issued	324	19.9	(2.1)(a) Held, DP Related	44	2.7	(3.1) Resolution Meetings	442	27.2	
(1.1)(a) Reports with Findings	256	15.7	(2.1)(a)(i) Agreements, DP Related	31	1.9	(3.1)(a) Settlement Agreements	212	13.0	
[Reports with No Findings]	68	4.2	(2.1)(b) Held, Not DP Related	728	44.8	(3.2) Held (Fully Adjudicated)	17	1.0	
(1.1)(b) Completed w/in 60 Days	226	13.9	(2.1)(b)(i) Agreements, Not DP Related	613	37.7	(3.2)(a) Decisions w/in 45 Days	3	0.2	
(1.1)(c) Completed w/in Extension	36	2.2	[Total Held]	772	47.5	(3.2)(b) Decisions w/in Extension	13	0.8	
[Total w/in Timelines]	262	16.1	[Total Agreements]	644	39.6	[Decisions Within Timelines]	16	1.0	
(1.2) Withdrawn or Dismissed	83	5.1	(2.2) Mediations Not Held	0	0.0	[Pending]	228	14.0	
(1.3) Pending	72	4.4				(3.3) Resolved w/o a Hearing	323	19.9	
(1.3)(a) Pending Hearing	21	1.3							
<u>Expedited Due Process Hearings**</u>									
							(4) Expedited Hearing Requests	37	2.3
							(4.1) [Expedited] Resolution Sessions	34	2.1
							(4.1)(a) [Expedited] Settlement Agreements	1	0.1
							(4.2) Expedited Hearings (fully adjudicated)	2	0.1
							(4.2)(a) Change of Placement Ordered	1	0.1

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School Year 2006-07 MASSACHUSETTS Total Child Count (ages 3 to 21): 165,959 % Served (ages 6 to 17): 14.53%

<u>Written Complaints</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Mediations</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Due Process Hearings</u>	Reported	Per 10K	
(1) Filed	383	23.1	(1) Requests	841	50.7	(3) Requests	592	35.7	
(1.1) Reports Issued	236	14.2	(2.1)(a) Held, DP Related	36	2.2	(3.1) Resolution Meetings	400	24.1	
(1.1)(a) Reports with Findings	170	10.2	(2.1)(a)(i) Agreements, DP Related	27	1.6	(3.1)(a) Settlement Agreements	25	1.5	
[Reports with No Findings]	66	4.0	(2.1)(b) Held, Not DP Related	805	48.5	(3.2) Held (Fully Adjudicated)	26	1.6	
(1.1)(b) Completed w/in 60 Days	179	10.8	(2.1)(b)(i) Agreements, Not DP Related	677	40.8	(3.2)(a) Decisions w/in 45 Days	3	0.2	
(1.1)(c) Completed w/in Extension	36	2.2	[Total Held]	841	50.7	(3.2)(b) Decisions w/in Extension	22	1.3	
[Total w/in Timelines]	215	13.0	[Total Agreements]	704	42.4	[Decisions Within Timelines]	25	1.5	
(1.2) Withdrawn or Dismissed	107	6.4	(2.2) Mediations Not Held	0	0.0	[Pending]	0	0.0	
(1.3) Pending	40	2.4				(3.3) Resolved w/o a Hearing	566	34.1	
(1.3)(a) Pending Hearing	21	1.3							
<u>Expedited Due Process Hearings**</u>									
							(4) Expedited Hearing Requests	31	1.9
							(4.1) [Expedited] Resolution Sessions	24	1.4
							(4.1)(a) [Expedited] Settlement Agreements	1	0.1
							(4.2) Expedited Hearings (fully adjudicated)	2	0.1
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School Year 2007-08 MASSACHUSETTS Total Child Count (ages 3 to 21): 166,747 % Served (ages 6 to 17): 14.60%

<u>Written Complaints</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Mediations</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Due Process Hearings</u>	Reported	Per 10K	
(1) Filed	369	22.1	(1) Requests	906	54.3	(3) Requests	618	37.1	
(1.1) Reports Issued	234	14.0	(2.1)(a) Held, DP Related	46	2.8	(3.1) Resolution Meetings	418	25.1	
(1.1)(a) Reports with Findings	161	9.7	(2.1)(a)(i) Agreements, DP Related	35	2.1	(3.1)(a) Settlement Agreements	15	0.9	
[Reports with No Findings]	73	4.4	(2.1)(b) Held, Not DP Related	860	51.6	(3.2) Held (Fully Adjudicated)	18	1.1	
(1.1)(b) Completed w/in 60 Days	177	10.6	(2.1)(b)(i) Agreements, Not DP Related	725	43.5	(3.2)(a) Decisions w/in 45 Days	2	0.1	
(1.1)(c) Completed w/in Extension	37	2.2	[Total Held]	906	54.3	(3.2)(b) Decisions w/in Extension	15	0.9	
[Total w/in Timelines]	214	12.8	[Total Agreements]	760	45.6	[Decisions Within Timelines]	17	1.0	
(1.2) Withdrawn or Dismissed	100	6.0	(2.2) Mediations Not Held	0	0.0	[Pending]	0	0.0	
(1.3) Pending	35	2.1				(3.3) Resolved w/o a Hearing	600	36.0	
(1.3)(a) Pending Hearing	27	1.6							
<u>Expedited Due Process Hearings**</u>									
							(4) Expedited Hearing Requests	54	3.2
							(4.1) [Expedited] Resolution Sessions	48	2.9
							(4.1)(a) [Expedited] Settlement Agreements	0	0.0
							(4.2) Expedited Hearings (fully adjudicated)	2	0.1
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