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SYNOPSIS

Petitioner filed a *pro se* appeal in March 2012, challenging the respondent Board's decision not to accept her son under the School Choice program. A hearing at the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) was scheduled for November 2, 2012, but the petitioner failed to appear despite having received appropriate notice and provided no explanation for her nonappearance. Having received no explanation from petitioner for her failure to appear, the OAL returned the file to the Commissioner.

There being no explanation filed, the Commissioner dismissed the petition with prejudice.

This synopsis is not part of the Commissioner's decision. It has been prepared for the convenience of the reader. It has been neither reviewed nor approved by the Commissioner.

December 14, 2012

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The record of this matter and advisement of failure to appear transmitted to the Commissioner by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 1:1-14.4 – along with copies of the notification sent to the parties by the OAL on November 15, 2012, providing petitioner thirteen days to submit an explanation for such nonappearance – have been reviewed. There being no explanation filed, this matter is no longer deemed to be a contested matter before the Commissioner and is hereby dismissed with prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.*

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

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^{*} This decision may be appealed to the Appellate Division of the Superior Court pursuant to *P.L.* 2008, *c.* 36 (*N.J.S.A.* 18A:6-9.1).