

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE OF GEORGIA

J.G.,	:	
	:	
Appellant,	:	
	:	
v.	:	CASE NO. 2011-42
	:	
BARTOW COUNTY BOARD	:	DECISION
OF EDUCATION,	:	
	:	
Appellee.	:	

This is an appeal by J.G. (“Student”) from a decision by the Bartow County Board of Education (“Local Board”) suspending the Student from school through the second semester of the 2010-2011 school year. The Student failed to file a brief¹ or request oral argument. Therefore, the Student’s appeal is deemed to have been abandoned. Chris M. v. McIntosh County Bd. of Educ., Case No. 1995-47 (Ga. SBE, Jan. 1996). Accordingly, this appeal is hereby **DISMISSED**.

This _____ day of April 2011.

MARY SUE MURRAY
VICE CHAIR FOR APPEALS

¹ In his notice of appeal, the Student asserts that the discipline he received is excessive. However, “[t]he State Board of Education . . . cannot adjust the level or degree of discipline imposed by a local board of education.” B.K. v. Bartow County Bd. of Educ., Case No. 1998-33 (Ga. SBE, Sep. 1998). Thus, even if this Board considered the merits of the Student’s appeal, this Board would be required to affirm the decision of the Local Board.