

PROGRAMS FOR PREGNANT STUDENTS

A pregnant student has the same rights to public education and to participation in extra-curricular activities as does any other student. As soon as pregnancy is medically confirmed, the Board of Education recommends that the student consult with the Guidance Counselor or the Superintendent of Schools to plan an appropriate education program.

A pregnant student shall be permitted to continue in school if that is the desire of the student, providing continued attendance has the sanction of the expectant mother's physician. Such sanction shall be in writing and on file at the school. Every effort will be made to see that the educational program of the student is disrupted as little as possible; that the student is encouraged to return to high school after delivery; and that every opportunity is given to complete high school.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent in conjunction with the school nurse to develop individual programs for pregnant students and for those students to return to school as soon as physically possible after the baby arrives. The goal is to help the student finish her high school education and graduate while still considering the health and welfare of the mother and the baby.

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