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Married / Pregnant Pupils

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The Board of Education is obligated to provide an educational setting free of discrimination against admission to, or in obtaining any advantages, privileges or course of study of the school by reason of race, color, creed, sex or national origin (N.J.S.A. 18A:36-20). Further, no pupil shall be discriminated against because of pregnancy, childbirth, pregnancy related disabilities, actual or potential parenthood, or family or marital status (N.J.A.C.6:41.5) and Title IX – 106.40). In compliance with these statements, the Board of Education makes the following policy relative to married and pregnant pupils.

No pupil, whether married or unmarried, who is otherwise eligible to attend school, shall be denied an educational program solely because of pregnancy, false-pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, childbirth, pregnancy-related disabilities, recovery thereof or actual or potential parenthood.

A pregnant pupil who does not wish to attend regular classes or who is physically unable to do so during her pregnancy may, on her request, be assigned to either a formal alternative educational program or home instruction.

A pupil who has received an alternate educational program or home instruction for reasons associated with her pregnancy shall be readmitted to the regular school program upon her request and the written statement of a physician that she is physically fit to do so.

A pregnant pupil under the age of 18 who wishes to withdraw from the district must have the written permission of her parents/guardians.

Legal References

NJSA 10:5-1 et seq. Law Against Discrimination

18A:36-20 Discrimination prohibited

NJAC 6A:7-1.1 et seq. Managing for Equality and Equity in Education

U.S.C.A. 1681 - Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

The Comprehensive Equity Plan, New Jersey State Department of Education