

MARRIED/PREGNANT PUPILS

No pupil, whether married or unmarried, who is otherwise eligible to attend the district's school(s) shall be denied an educational program solely because of pregnancy, childbirth, pregnancy-related disabilities, or actual or potential parenthood.

No married pupil who is otherwise eligible to attend the district's school(s) shall be denied an educational program solely because of his/her marital status. (Current New Jersey law: Be at least 18 years of age, except that applicants under the age of 18 may enter into a Marriage with parental consent. Applicants under the age of 16 must obtain parental consent and have the consent approve in writing by any judge of the Superior Court, Chancery Division, Family part.)

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.

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Legal References:

N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq. Law Against Discrimination
N.J.S.A. 18A:36-20 Discrimination prohibited
N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1 et seq. Managing for Equality and Equity in Education
See particularly:
N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.4,-1.7
N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.1 Code of student conduct

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

The Comprehensive Equity Plan, New Jersey State Department of Education

Possible

Cross References: 5141.3 Health examinations and immunizations
5145.4 Equal educational opportunity
6145 Extracurricular activities
6154 Homework/makeup work
6172 Alternative educational programs
6173 Home instruction

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