

Catasauqua Area School District

SECTION: PUPILS
TITLE: STUDENT PARENTHOOD

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234. STUDENT PARENTHOOD	
<p>1. Purpose Title 22 Sec. 12.1 SC 1326, 1327</p>	<p>No student, whether married or unmarried, who is otherwise eligible to attend district schools shall be denied an educational program solely because of pregnancy, childbirth, pregnancy-related disabilities, or actual or potential parenthood; nor shall a pregnant student under the age of seventeen (17) be excused from the requirements of compulsory attendance solely for reasons of pregnancy or maternity.</p>
<p>2. Authority</p>	<p>The Board reserves the right to require as a prerequisite for attendance in the regular classes and extracurricular program of the schools that each pregnant student present to the Superintendent her physician's written statement that such activity will not be injurious to her health nor jeopardize her pregnancy.</p>
<p>3. Guidelines</p>	<p>A pregnant student whose mental or physical condition prevents her from attending regular classes, when such condition is certified by a physician, may be assigned to an alternate educational program of homebound instruction.</p> <p>A student who has received an alternate educational program 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.</p>
<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent shall develop procedures for implementing this policy.</p> <p>Any student who is considering withdrawing from the school during the academic year due to parenthood reasons shall be provided the opportunity for counseling and encouraged to complete their education in some way before making a final decision.</p>