4/10/25, 4:03 PM BoardDocs® LT



Book Policy Manual

Section 200 Pupils

Title Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students

Code 234

Status First Reading

<u>Purpose</u>

A student who is eligible to attend district schools and is married and/or pregnant/parenting shall not be denied admission to the district or an educational program solely because of marriage, pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions or potential or actual parenthood. [1]2[3][4][5]

Definition

Pregnancy, as defined in state **regulations**, shall include the use of assisted reproductive technology, the state of being in gestation, childbirth, breastfeeding, the postpartum period after childbirth and medical conditions related to pregnancy. [6]

<u>Authority</u>

The Board directs that students who are married or experiencing pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions or parenting shall have equal access to the same educational programs, activities and services provided to other district students.[2][3]

The Board directs district staff to make reasonable modifications to Board policies, administrative regulations and school rules as necessary to provide equal access to the district's educational program for a student experiencing pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions or parenting. Reasonable modifications may include, but are not limited to:[7]

Breaks during class to address lactation needs or health needs, including eating, drinking and restroom use.

Intermittent absences to attend medical appointments, in accordance with Board policy.[8]

Voluntary leave of absence as deemed medically necessary by the student's licensed healthcare provider.[8]

Access to online or homebound instruction, or other separate but comparable program of the district's educational programs and activities.[9][10]

Changes in schedule or course sequence.

Extensions of time for coursework or rescheduling of tests and examinations.

4/10/25, 4:03 PM BoardDocs® LT

Allowing the student flexibility in sitting and standing, and changes in physical space or supplies, including carrying water.

Access to appropriate facilities for addressing lactation needs.

Counseling.

The district shall not require documentation for establishing reasonable modifications or providing equal access to educational programs and activities unless such documentation is required in accordance with law or other Board policies and administrative regulations.[3][7][8] [9][11]

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations for implementing this policy.

PSBA Revision 2/25 © 2025 PSBA

Legal <u>1. 24 P.S. 1326</u>

2. 22 PA Code 12.1

3. Pol. 103

4. Pol. 200

5. Pol. 201

6. 16 PA Code 41.204

7. Pol. 103.1

8. Pol. 204

9. Pol. 117

10. Pol. 124

11. Pol. 123

43 P.S. 951 et seq

16 PA Code 41.201 et seq

22 PA Code 4.4

22 PA Code 12.4

20 U.S.C. 1232g

29 U.S.C. 794

34 CFR Part 99

Pol. 146