

**Policy**

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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.

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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Key Words

Married Pupils, Pregnant Pupils, Married Students, Pregnant Students

**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

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

Manual for the Evaluation of Local School Districts

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

\*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.