

**BRANDYWINE  
HEIGHTS AREA  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: PREGNANT STUDENTS

ADOPTED: June 28, 2004

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| 234. PREGNANT STUDENTS                         |   |
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| 1. Purpose<br>SC 1326<br>Title 22<br>Sec. 12.1 | No student, whether married or unmarried, who is 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.  |
| 2. Authority                                   | The Board reserves the right to require as a prerequisite for attendance in the regular classes and participation in the extracurricular program of the schools that each pregnant student present to the Superintendent or designee her physician's written statement that such activity will not be injurious to her health nor jeopardize her pregnancy.   |
| 3. Guidelines                                  | <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.</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>   |
| 4. Delegation of Responsibility                | <p>The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for implementing this policy which include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Offering counseling services to help the pregnant student plan her future.</li> <li>2. Cooperation with community resources to assist the pregnant student.</li> <li>3. Development of a curriculum for the alternate educational program to which the pregnant student may be assigned on her request.</li> <li>4. Designation of a qualified staff member to act upon the physician's statement regarding the examination and health of a pregnant student.</li> </ol> |