OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: Adopted: JFE

Pregnant and/or Parenting Students**

{Required policy. The requirement for policy comes from ORS 336.640. *This is the April 2021 published version of this policy and is the policy recommendation following the invalidation of the 2024 Title IX regulations.* }

A pregnant and/or parenting student shall be encouraged to continue with an educational program and to participate in all district-sponsored activities unless physically unable. The district shall ensure that pregnant and/or parenting students receive special services as necessitated by their condition.

Neither pregnancy nor parenting constitute an exemption from Oregon compulsory attendance law.

No pregnant or parenting student shall be excluded from the public schools on the basis of pregnancy or parenthood.

The district shall, in considering and obtaining special services for pregnant and/or parenting students:

- 1. Inform pregnant and/or parenting students and their parents of the availability of such services in the district, education service district or in the community.
- 2. Facilitate the provision of such services, including counseling, life skills and parenting education, childcare, transportation, career development and health and nutrition services to pregnant and/or parenting students.
- 3. Inform pregnant and/or parenting students and their parents of the availability of resources provided by other agencies, including health and social services.
- 4. Provide educational programs and schedules that address the individual learning styles and needs of pregnant and/or parenting students.
- 5. Develop individualized educational programs or services, or both, to address the needs of pregnant and/or parenting students when their educational needs cannot be met by the regularly provided school program.

The superintendent will develop guidelines $\{^1\}$ necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of state and federal law.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 336.640 ORS 339.010 <u>ORS 339</u>.030

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¹ {Guidelines are required according to ORS 336.640 but does not rise to the level of an administrative regulation. A sample form is available to support developing a student's required individual written plan (OAR 581-023-0100(3)).}