537 STUDENT PREGNANCY AND PARENTAL STATUS POLICY

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WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 124.15 requires that districts comply with both state and federal law prohibiting discrimination. Title IX of Education Amendments of 1972 and the regulations promulgated thereunder provided that a recipient shall not apply any rule concerning a student's actual or potential status which treats students differently on the basis of sex. Minnesota Rules 3535,9920 require that each school board shall annually state that it has a written policy on pregnant students.

1. <u>Pregnancy and Parental Status:</u>

It is the policy of School Board of Independent District No. 2143 not to discriminate against any student, or exclude any student from its education program or activity, including any class or extra curricular activity, on the basis of such students' pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy or recovery therefrom, unless the student requests voluntarily to participate in an separate portion of the program or activity of the recipient.

2. Medical Certification:

The School Board of Independent School District No. 2143 may require such a student to obtain the certification of a physician that the student is physically and emotionally able to continue participation in the normal education program or activity so long as such certification is required of all students for other physical or emotional conditions requiring the attention of a physician.