

Santa Barbara School District

Administrative Regulation

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Students

MARRIED/PREGNANT/PARENTING STUDENTS

The Superintendent or designee may grant students a leave of absence due to pregnancy, childbirth or abortion for as long as it is deemed medically necessary. At the conclusion of the leave, the student shall be reinstated to the status she held when the leave began. (34 CFR 106.40)

Pregnant and parenting students also may request exemption from attendance because of a physical or mental condition or because of personal services that must be rendered to a dependent. (Education Code 48410)

Cal-SAFE Program

A male or female student who is an expectant parent, the custodial parent, or the non-custodial parent taking an active role in the care and supervision of the child, shall be eligible to enroll in the District's program for pregnant or parenting students under any of the following conditions: (Education Code 54747)

1. The student is age 18 years of age or younger and has not earned a high school diploma or its equivalent.
2. The student is age 19, has not earned a high school diploma or its equivalent, and has been continuously enrolled in the program for pregnant/parenting students since before his/her 19th birthday. Such a student may be enrolled in the program for one additional semester.
3. The student is below age 22 and has an active Individual Education Plan.

Student shall be enrolled in programs for pregnant and parenting students on an open-entry and open-exit basis. (Education Code 54745)

The Superintendent or designee shall complete an intake procedure regarding each student and child upon entry into the program, and periodically thereafter as necessary, to determine appropriate levels and types of services to be provided. (Education Code 54746)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide staff development and community outreach in order to establish a positive learning environment and school policies supportive of pregnant and parent students' academic achievement and to promote the healthy development of their children. (Education Code 54745)

The Superintendent or designee shall cooperate with the County Superintendent of Schools to develop and annually update the county service coordination plan for providing educational and related support services to pregnant and parenting teens and their children. He/she also shall participate in data collection and evaluation of the program. (Education Code 54745)

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