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## Married/Pregnant Students

The Brookfield Board of Education recognizes that students who either marry early or become pregnant outside of marriage need the counseling, health services, and education available through the public schools as much or more than other students their age. These students should have the same educational opportunities as their peers. They should have access to all pertinent special services and considerations that are provided other exceptional students enrolled in the Brookfield Public Schools.

Marital, maternal or parental status shall not affect the rights and privileges of students to receive a public education or to take part in any extracurricular activities offered by the school.

Arrangements for attendance, homebound instruction, counseling and placement should be made in concert with the parents/legal guardian, and -- in the case of pregnant girls -- their physician. The best interests of the individual student shall determine the arrangement to be made for the student's education.

The administration is authorized to make special arrangements for attendance, promotion, graduation, etc., for married and/or pregnant students who wish to continue and complete their education in the Brookfield Public Schools.

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