

**NORTHERN
WESTMORELAND
CAREER AND
TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: PREGNANT/MARRIED
STUDENTS

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234. PREGNANT/MARRIED STUDENTS	
<p>1. Purpose SC 1326 Title 22 Sec. 12.1</p>	<p>A student who is eligible to attend programs in the center shall not be denied an educational or vocational program solely because of marital status, pregnancy, pregnancy-related disabilities, parenthood or potential parenthood.</p>
<p>2. Authority SC 1850.1</p>	<p>The Joint Operating Committee reserves the right to require as a prerequisite for attendance in the regular classes and participation in the extracurricular program of the center that each pregnant student present to the Administrative Director or designee a licensed physician's written statement that such activity will not be injurious to her health nor jeopardize her pregnancy.</p>
<p>3. Guidelines</p>	<p>A student who is married must declare his/her marital status at the time of marriage or at the time of enrollment in the center.</p> <p>A pregnant student whose mental or physical condition prevents her from attending regular classes, when such condition is certified by a licensed physician, may be assigned to an alternate educational program of specialized instruction upon withdrawal from regular classes.</p> <p>In order to receive credit for the school year, the student must satisfactorily complete the work prescribed by the teachers and approved by the administration.</p> <p>A student who has received an alternate educational program for reasons associated with her pregnancy shall be readmitted to the regular center program upon her request and on a date approved by her physician. A statement of verification from the physician must be presented to the Administrative Director or designee.</p>
<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Administrative Director or designee shall develop procedures for implementing this policy which include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Offering counseling services to help students plan their future.

2. Cooperation with community resources to assist students.
3. Development of a curriculum for the alternate educational program to which the pregnant student may be assigned on her request.
4. Designation of a qualified staff member to act upon the licensed physician's statement regarding the examination and health of a pregnant student.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1326, 1850.1

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.1