

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

JQF-R Married and Pregnant Students

1/7/13 GSBA Reference: JQF (Married Students)

RATIONALE/OBJECTIVE:

Marital, parental or pregnancy status of students will not affect the rights and privileges of said students to receive a public education, nor to take part in any performance activities offered in the Cobb County School District.

RULE:

The following shall be observed in regard to married and/or pregnant students:

A. MARRIED STUDENTS:

A student who becomes married while enrolled in school should notify the school principal or designee of the change in marital status to facilitate the changing of school records.

B. PREGNANT STUDENTS:

The pregnant student is strongly encouraged to schedule a conference with the student's counselor or designated administrator (as appointed by the school principal) to discuss academic options and/or possible services available to her during the pregnancy.

- 1. During this conference, the student's counselor or designated administrator is responsible for discussing and documenting the following items:
 - a. Anticipated return date to school.
 - b. Arrangements for making up assignments/tests.
 - c. Pregnancy related absences and documentation of excused absences.
 - d. Available support groups and other community resource information including school counselor/social worker services.
 - e. The counselor/administrator will strongly encourage the student to take advantage of before- or after-school tutoring and other available services during and after her pregnancy.
- 2. The counselor/administrator will review the attendance of student and will follow Cobb County School District Administrative Rule JB-R (Student Attendance) if there are excessive absences.

C. ABSENCES:

In order for pregnancy related absences to be excused, the absences must be acceptable according to the current Cobb County School District Administrative Rule JB-R (Student Attendance). A doctor's statement may be required to verify pregnancy-related absences.

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Legal Reference

O.C.G.A. 20-02-0133 Free public instruction; exceptions; eligibility; transfer and utilization; funding

O.C.G.A. 20-02-0150 Eligibility for enrollment

Rule 160-5-1-.28 Student Enrollment and Withdrawal 34 CFR 106.11 Sect. 86.40 Title IX Regulations