## POLICY

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## 5752 MARITAL STATUS AND PREGNANCY

The Board of Education will not discriminate among pupils on the basis of their marital status or parenthood. No pupil, male or female, who is married or a parent shall be denied access to or benefit from any educational, co-curricular, or athletic program or activity on the basis of his/her marital status or parenthood.

A pregnant pupil shall not be excluded from any educational program or activity because of her pregnancy or pregnancy-related condition unless the pupil so requests or a physician certifies that her exclusion is necessary for the pupil's physical, mental, or emotional well-being. An excluded pregnant pupil will be provided with adequate and timely opportunity for instruction to continue or make up her schoolwork without prejudice or penalty. Pregnant pupils will be provided a special instructional program in accordance with Policy No. 2416.

A pregnant pupil under the age of eighteen who wishes to withdraw from the district must have the written permission of her parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

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