

**SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Agenda Item# 8.1e

**Meeting Date:** January 8, 2015

**Subject:** Approve Revised Board Policy 5146: Married, Pregnant, Parenting  
Students

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
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# Sacramento City USD

## Board Policy

### Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students

BP 5146  
Students

The Governing Board recognizes that early marriage, pregnancy or parenting may disrupt a student's education and increase the chance of a student dropping out of school. The Board therefore desires to support married, pregnant, and parenting students to continue their education, attain strong academic and parenting skills, and to promote the healthy development of their children.

(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)  
(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)  
(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)  
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)  
(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)  
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)  
(cf. 6146.2 - Certificate of Proficiency/High School Equivalency)  
(cf. 6164.5 - Student Success Teams)

The district shall not discriminate against any student on the basis of the student's marital status, pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or related recovery. (Education Code 230; 20 USC 1681-1688)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)  
(cf. 5127 - Graduation Ceremonies and Activities)

Any education program or activity, including any class or extracurricular activity, that is offered

For school-related purposes, married students under the age of 18 are emancipated minors and have all the rights and privileges of a student who is 18, even if the marriage has been dissolved. (Family Code 7002)

The Superintendent or designee shall periodically report to the Board regarding the effectiveness

limited to:

1. Child care and development services for the children of parenting students on or near school site(s) during the school day and during school-sponsored activities

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)

2. Parenting education and life skills instruction

3. Special school nutrition supplements for pregnant and lactating students pursuant to Education Code 49553, 42 USC 1786, and 7 CFR 246.1-246.28

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

4. Health care services, including prenatal care

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

5. Tobacco, alcohol, and/or drug prevention and intervention services

(cf. 5131.6 - Alcohol and Other Drugs)

(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)

6. Academic and personal counseling

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

7. Supplemental instruction to assist students in achieving grade-level academic standards and progressing toward graduation

(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

As appropriate, teachers, administrators, and/or other personnel who work with pregnant and parenting students shall receive related professional development.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Pregnant or parenting students may be excused for absences related to confidential medical appointments in accordance with BP/AR 5113 - Absences and Excuses.

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The Superintendent or designee shall grant a student a leave of absence due to pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, and related recovery for as long as it is deemed medically necessary by her physician. At the conclusion of the leave, the student shall be reinstated to the status she held when the leave began. (34 CFR 106.40)

(cf. 5112.3 - Student Leave of Absence)

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

(cf. 5112.1 - Exemptions from Attendance)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

230 Sex discrimination

8200-8498 Child Care and Development Services Act

48205 Excused absences

48220 Compulsory education requirement

48410 Persons exempted from continuation classes

49553 Nutrition supplements for pregnant/lactating students

51220.5 Parenting skills and education

51745 Independent study

52610.5 Enrollment of pregnant and parenting students in adult education

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The Governing Board recognizes that early marriage, pregnancy or parenting may disrupt a student's education and increase the chance of a student dropping out of school. ~~The Board provides instruction and services designed to assist in pregnancy prevention.~~ The Board also therefore desires to support married, pregnant and parenting students to continue their education, attain strong academic and parenting skills to promote the healthy development of their children.

(cf. 5113.1 -Chronic Absence and Truancy)

(cf. 5147 -Dropout Prevention)

~~opportunities as all students. — Participation in special programs or schools shall be voluntary.~~

~~(cf. 0410—Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)~~

~~(cf. 5127—Graduation Ceremonies and Activities)~~

~~(cf. 6145—Extracurricular and Cccurricular Activities)~~

For school



or educational alternative program. The classroom setting shall be the preferred instructional strategy unless an alternative is necessary to meet the needs of the individual student and/or child. (Education Code 54745)

(cf. 6158 -Independent Study)

(cf. 6181 -Alternative Schools/Programs of Choice)

(cf. 6184 -Continuation Education)

(cf. 6200 -Adult Education)

~~In addition to providing a quality academic program for pregnant and parenting students, the district's program shall provide parenting education and life skills classes, special school nutrition supplements for pregnant and lactating students, a child care and development program for the children of enrolled students on or near the school site, and other support services authorized by Education Code 54746 as necessary to meet the needs of students and their children. (Education Code 54745)~~

~~(cf. 3550 -Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)~~

~~(cf. 5141.6 -Student Health and Social Services)~~

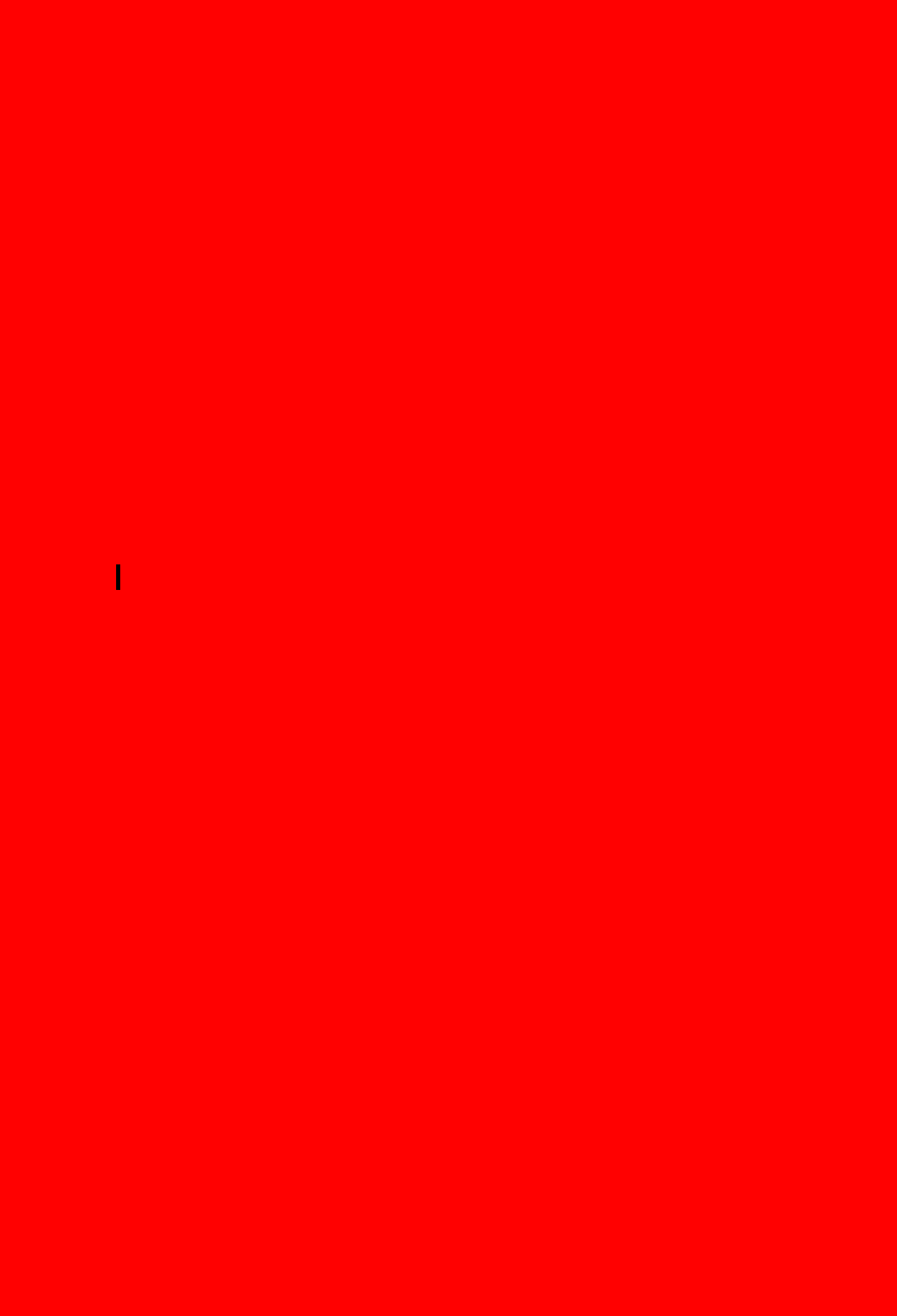
~~(cf. 5148 -Child Care and Development)~~

~~(cf. 6164.2 -Guidance/Counseling Services)~~

~~When necessary, the district shall provide reasonable accommodations to pregnant and parenting students to enable them to access the educational program. A pregnant student shall have access to any services available to other students with temporary disabilities or medical conditions. A lactating student shall have access to a private location, other than a restroom, to breastfeed or express milk for her infant child.~~

(cf. 6183 -Home and Hospital Instruction)

A student may be required, based on her pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or related recovery, to obtain certification from a physician indicating that she is physically and emotionally able to participate in an educational program or activity, if other students with physical or emotional conditions or temporary disabilities are required by the



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

(cf. 5112.1 Exemptions from Attendance)

### Pregnancy Prevention Program

~~The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that appropriate, culturally sensitive and community sensitive instruction and services are available to assist in the prevention of pregnancy among minors. The district's program shall be based on strategies that have proven effective in delaying the onset of sexual activity and reducing the incidence of pregnancy among schoolage youth.~~

~~Instruction shall include information regarding the consequences of pregnancy upon both the mother and father, including the effect upon future educational and employment opportunities; the meaning of parental responsibility and effect upon one's personal life; strategies for resisting peer group pressure; and abstinence as a method of pregnancy prevention. Such instruction may be incorporated into health, social science or other appropriate courses in accordance with the requirements for those courses.~~

~~(cf. 5141.25 Availability of Condoms)~~

~~(cf. 6142.1 Family Life/Sex Education)~~

~~(cf. 6142.8 Comprehensive Health Education)~~

~~(cf. 6143 Courses of Study)~~

Legal Reference:  
EDUCATION CODE

4950 Nondiscrimination, marital and parental status

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

101151401239.2 General licensing requirements for child care centers

101351401439.1 Infant care centers

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1681-1688 Title IX, Education Act Amendments

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1786 Special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7

246.1246.28 Special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

106.40 Marital or parental status

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

87 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 168 (2004)

COURT DECISIONS

American Academy of Pediatrics et al v. Lungren et al (1997) 16 Cal.4th 307

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S LAW CENTER PUBLICATIONS

Educational Rights of Pregnant and Parenting Teens: Title IX and California State Law Requirements

The Civil Rights of Pregnant and Parenting Teens in California Schools, 2002

~~124175124200 Adolescent and Family Life Act  
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20  
16814688 Title IX, Education Act Amendments  
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34  
106.40 Marital or parental status~~

~~Management Resources:~~

~~CDE PUBLICATIONS~~

~~Pregnant and Parenting Students: A Report to the Legislature, April 1996~~

~~SBE POLICIES~~

~~Policy statement on adolescent pregnancy and parenting, July 9, 1993~~

~~WEB SITES~~

~~CDE: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>~~

~~California Department of Public Health: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov>~~

~~Department of Social Services: <http://www.dss.ca.gov>~~

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