

**Married Students/School-Age Parents**

**Code #444.00**

Married Students

Married students enrolled in the Tri-County Area School District shall have the same legal rights as unmarried students, including the right to participate in all extra-curricular activities.

School-Age Parents

The District recognizes both the right of and need for pregnant-students/school-age parents to continue their education. A school-age parent is any person (male or female) under 21 years of age who is not a high school graduate and is a parent, an expectant parent or a person who has been pregnant within the immediately preceding 120 days. The school system, in keeping with the resources available to it, is committed to offering such alternative programs as are needed to accommodate individual students within state law.

To accommodate individual students under the school-age parent program, the District will cooperate with community agencies in order to provide the most suitable and educationally sound services to school-age pregnant females and school-age males (fathers).

The Board authorizes the following programs and/or program provisions for school-age parents.

- The option of remaining in school on a regularly scheduled basis with program modifications, as appropriate.
- Instructional services in the core curricular subjects through the home school instruction program, if necessary for physical or psychological reasons, as certified by a physician, psychiatrist, or other appropriate medical practitioner.

By establishing special programs and program modifications, the Board wishes to ensure that school-age parents continue their education.

**Legal Reference:** Sections 115.91 – 115.93, 118.13, 118.15 (4m). Wisconsin Statutes

423.00 Open Enrollment (Full-time) Program continued ...

**Cross Reference:** 411.00, Equal Educational Opportunities  
411.00AR, Equal Educational Opportunities Complaint Procedure

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