



RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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School Age Parents

Current law in the State of Wisconsin assures that every student who is pregnant or parenting has a right to an education. Under Chapter 115, subchapter VI, entitled, "Education for School Age Parents," a school age parent is defined as "any person under the age of 21 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." Under the Pupil Nondiscrimination Law, s. 118.13 of the Wisconsin Statutes, no person may be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational program or activity because of pregnancy, marital, or parental status.

The River Valley School District provides individual counseling, guidance and assistance in planning for the educational and health needs of school age parents. Collaboration and referrals to outside agencies is/are provided on an individual basis according to specific student need. Every school age parent in the State of Wisconsin has the following rights:

1. The right to an equal education.
2. The right to stay in school until the completion of high school or reaching the age of 21.
3. The right to program modification and services that will enable the pupil to continue his or her education. (Section 115.915 of the Wisconsin Statute)

The Board of Education and/or school employees will assist in providing education for school age parents. The goal is to improve pregnancy outcomes, improve child health and development, and ultimately improve the economic self-sufficiency of the family through completion of high school graduation by school age parents.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 115.915 Wisconsin Statutes
118.13
118.15(4m)
118.153
Chapter PI 19 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF.: Policy #342.3 - Program for Children at Risk
Policy #411-Rule - Discrimination Complaint Procedures

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