

**PUPIL PERSONNEL PROGRAMS
Meriden Public Schools**

SOCIAL WORKER LETTER FOR PREGNANT STUDENT

You are welcome to remain in school for as long as you wish to and for as long as you feel comfortable being in school. When your doctor decides that it is in your best interests physically and emotionally to leave your regular classes, please contact the Office of Pupil Personnel Programs. At that time, a state form will be sent to your doctor for his approval and authorization to provide homebound services. In most cases, this service would begin at the beginning of your seventh or eighth month of pregnancy.

The tutoring is usually done by regular classroom teachers so that you can keep up with your classes and not find yourself behind when you return to school. However, if your regular teachers are not available, other teachers will provide the instructions and coordinate with your regular teachers.

If you are not already aware of it, there is a social worker in each school with whom you may talk who can help you make plans for continuing your education, who can help you make arrangements for medical care or help with any special problems that might arise. The social worker can also help you make the adjustment back into school when the time comes.

Most doctors feel that the best time for you to return to school is six weeks after the baby is born, but this is not a rigid requirement and the timing of your return could vary with individual circumstances. Please feel free to call on your school nurse, your school social worker, your guidance counselor or the Pupil Personnel Office if you have any questions.