OREGON PROGRAM STANDARDS

Scoring Guide for School-Based Teen Parent Programs

Comprehensive school-based programs for adolescent parents and their children have the potential to help young families grow and develop to become healthy and productive members of society. Such programs can help increase the educational attainment and employability of young parents, and improve the health and development of their children. Schools are logical sites for comprehensive interventions with teen parents and their children. They provide opportunities to identify and begin to work with pregnant adolescents, and to keep them in school during their pregnancy and after delivery. Such early intervention makes receipt of prenatal care and other critical supports possible, and also avoids the costs of dropout retrieval by giving young parents the chance to obtain a high school diploma, generally of greater long-term value than a GED certificate. Early intervention with pregnant and parenting teens offers opportunities to help parents provide critical services to their infants and young children, including access to child development programs and preventative health care.

The following elements are essential for a program to be effective in improving educational and self-sufficiency outcomes for adolescent parents, and contribute to the health and development of young children.

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School-Based Teen Parent Programs NOTE: Box is checked IF descriptor applies.	Needs Improvement	Emerging	Meets Standard	Goal for the Year	Technical Assistance Needs	Resource Needs
1. Flexible schools with features s	uch as:					
1a. Credit for partial semesters	D No.	 Some credit for partial semesters. Policy pending on credit for partial semesters. 	 Yes. Written policy on credit for partial semesters. 			
1b. Open entry	D No.	 Some open entry to school. Policy pending on open entry. 	Yes.Written policy on open entry.			
1c. Educational support after delivery of child & before returning to school	D No.	 Some educational support. Policy pending on educational support. 	 Yes. Written policy on educational support 			
1d. Flexibility in scheduling	□ No.	 Some flexibility in scheduling. Policy pending on flexibility in scheduling. 	 Yes. Written policy on flexibility in scheduling. 			

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1e. Flexibility in attendance policies that take into account the need for adolescent parents to be absent for legitimate reasons, such as child's illness	D No.	 Some flexibility in attendance policies. Policy pending on flexibility in attendance policies. 	 Yes. Written policy on flexibility in attendance policies 				
1f. Possibility of summer programs	D No.	 Some programs available. Summer program available for any student. 	 Yes. Summer program with a teen parent component. 				
1g. Program support & commitment from faculty, staff, & administration	 No. Program is in danger of being cut. 	 Program has limited support. Program has support, but less than in the past. 	 Yes. Program operates effectively because of all the support. 				
2. Educational support or remedia they became pregnant	tion for pregnant a	nd parenting adole	escents who may h	ave been perform	ning poorly in so	chool before	
2a. Assessment procedures to identify special needs	D No.	 Some assessments. Policy pending for assessment. 	 Yes. Written policy on assessment for teen parents. 				

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2b. Guidance & counseling services	D No.	 Some services. Policy pending for these services 	 Yes. Written policy on guidance & counseling services for teen parents. 			
2c. Tutoring options available	D No.	 Some tutoring. Policy pending for tutoring. 	 Yes. Written policy on tutoring for teen parents. 			
2d. Incentive programs to encourage achievement	□ No.	 Some incentives. Incentive policy pending. 	 Yes. Written incentive policy for teen parents. 			
3. Availability of reliable, quality cl	nild care acceptab	le to teen parents				
3a. During the school day	□ No.	 Some on-site child care. Some off-site child care. 	Yes.On-site child care			
3b. During transitions between school & continued education, job training, or employment	D No.	 Some on-site child care. Some off-site child care. 	Yes.On-site child care			
3c. Assistance in securing child care after completion of high school	D No.	Some assistance provided.	TYes.			
4. Access to basic health care						

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4a. Prenatal & postnatal care	D No.	Some access.Access off-site.	Yes.Access on-site.			
4b. Family planning information	D No.	Some access.Access off-site.	Yes.Access on-site.			
4c. Well-baby checks	D No.	Some access.Access off-site.	Yes.Access on-site.			
4d. Immunizations	D No.	Some access.Access off-site.	Yes.Access on-site.			
4e. Dental care	D No.	Some access.Access off-site.	Yes.Access on-site.			
5. Parenting & Child Development	Education	•	•			
(Assessed with separate scoring guide)						
6. Specialized systems in place for	r planning for post	-secondary educat	ion & job training			
6a. Goal setting	D No.	 Discussed but not formalized. Educational planning does not reflect the student's goals. 	 Yes. Written goals prepared. Educational planning reflects the student's goals. 			

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6b. School-to-career opportunities	D No.	 Opportunities discussed. Minimal participation. 	 Yes. Every teen parent student participates. 			
6c. Assistance with applications (e.g., college, university, jobs, financial aid)	D No.	 Some assistance. Not part of regular course work. 	 Yes. Part of regular course work. 			
6d. Preparation of resumes, cover letters, letters of application	D No.	 Some assistance. Not part of regular course work. 	 Yes. Part of regular course work. 			
6e. Planning for work & family	D No.	 Some assistance. Not part of regular course work. 	 Yes. Part of regular course work. 			
7. Access to appropriate mental he	ealth and counseling	ng services				
7a. Access to appropriate mental health and counseling services	D No.	Some access.	C Yes.			
8. Critical Support Services						
8a. Transportation assistance	D No.	Limited assistance.	 Yes. Door to door for student & child. 			

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8b. Housing information	D No.	Limited information.Off-site access.	Yes.On-site access.			
8c. WIC (Women's, Infants, & Children's food program)	D No.	Limited access.Off-site access.	Yes.On-site access.			
8d. Healthy Start programs	D No.	Limited access.Off-site access.	Yes.On-site access.			
9. Case management services		• •				
9a. Assessment of student's needs	D No.	 Limited assessment. Assessment not linked to services. 	 Yes. Assessment determines services provided. 			
9b. Development of individualized service plans	D No.	 Incomplete plans. Plan missing components of state model. 	 Yes. Plan contains all components of the state model. 			
9c. Referral & assistance in accessing non-school-based services (list services below in this box)	D No.	Referrals to some but not all services.	TYes.			

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9d. Monitoring that services are actually received	D No.	Monitoring done inconsistently.	 Yes. Regular, planned service reviews of each case. 			
9e. Periodic reassessment	D No.	Reassessment done inconsistently.	 Yes. Regular, planned periodic reassessment of each case. 			
9f. Helping students learn to negotiate the system themselves	D No.	Some help, but staff control inhibits student's ability to negotiate the system	TYes.			
10. School-Community Advisory C	ommittee	·	•			
10a. Regular meeting schedule	D No.	Sporadic	Tes.			
10b. Representatives from community agencies, such as Department of Human Services, Head Start, Housing Authority, WIC, etc. (list agencies represented below in this box)	□ No.	 One agency represented. Actively recruiting more than one representative. 	 Yes. More than one such agency represented. 			
10c. Teen parent representative	D No.	Actively recruiting one.	TYes.			

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10d. Representative from parents of teen parents	D No.	Actively recruiting one.	Yes.			
10e. School administration and/or faculty	D No.	Actively recruiting one.	TYes.			
10f. Healthy Start	D No.	Actively recruiting one.	TYes.			
10g. Local Commission on Children & Families	D No.	Actively recruiting one.	TYes.			