

Pregnancy & Parenting

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (“Title IX”), 20 U.S.C. §1681 *et seq.*, is a Federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, including pregnancy and parental status, in educational programs and activities. This protection includes pregnancy-related conditions, such as childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, related medical conditions, lactation, and recovery from any of these conditions.

At Arkansas State University, we are committed to supporting students who are pregnant, parenting, or experiencing pregnancy-related conditions. Under Title IX, students have the right to continue their education free from discrimination based on pregnancy, childbirth, termination of pregnancy, lactation, false pregnancy, recovery from childbirth, and related medical conditions.

The Office of Institutional Integrity & Title IX can assist students by coordinating reasonable modifications, helping maintain equal access to academic programs and activities, and connecting students with available campus and community resources. Support may include adjustments related to attendance, coursework, lactation needs, temporary medical conditions, and other pregnancy-related circumstances. Our goal is to help students successfully navigate their educational experience while balancing pregnancy and parenting responsibilities.

Students seeking assistance or information about their rights and available support are encouraged to contact the Office of Institutional Integrity & Title IX. We are available to discuss individual needs, answer questions, and help identify appropriate resources and accommodations.

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Accommodations

Please contact the Office of Institutional Integrity & Title IX for a full list of Accommodations at 870-972-2015

Lactation Spaces

Available Lactation Spaces:

Arkansas State University is committed to supporting students, faculty, and staff. Multiple lactation rooms across campus provide a clean, private, and secure space for breastfeeding or expressing milk.

- Dean B. Ellis Library - Room 208
- Health, Physical Education, and Sports Sciences (HPESS) - Room 239
- Reng Student Union - Room 3022 (Under Construction)
- Humanities and Social Sciences - Room 4097
- Donald W. Reynolds Center for Health Sciences - Room 176

Lactation Room Guidelines & FAQ's:

Who Can Use Lactation Rooms?

- Students, current employees, and guests to the campus who are breastfeeding or pumping.

How Can I Access Lactation Spaces?

- To request access, contact the Office of Institutional Integrity & Title IX at 870-972-2015 or email title9@astate.edu.
- Please register with the Office of Institutional Integrity & Title IX.
- The locked/unlocked notification on the locks at that specific location.

Cleanliness & Courtesy.

- Please wipe down surfaces and clean up after each use. Cleaning supplies are located in the designated storage area.
- Remember to take all personal items with you afterwards, as we are not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Do not store milk or supplies in the room unless designated storage is provided.

Privacy & Respect.

- Please be respectful to others who use the room.
- Knock before entering and check the indicator sign on the lock.
- Lock the door during use and unlock it when finished.
- DO NOT use the room for studying, phone calls, or breaks.

Need Help?

For room issues, cleaning needs, or access concerns, contact:

Monycia Coleman

Office of Institutional Integrity & Title IX

Phone: 870-972-2015

Email: title9@astate.edu

Resources

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Daycare Resources

- **A-State University Childhood Services**
 - chs@astate.edu
 - 870-972-3055
 - 615 University Loop East Jonesboro, AR
- **AR Early Learning (Early Childcare Education)**
 - [Website](#)
 - 870-931-1172
 - Central Office 1901 Woodsprings Rd. Jonesboro, AR

Food Bank Resources

- **A-State Food Pantry**
 - 870-972-2055
 - 2907 E. Johnson Jonesboro, AR
- **Helping Neighbors**
 - 870-9352-7298
 - 501 W. Highland Jonesboro, AR

Pregnancy Health Professionals

- **St. Bernards Pregnancy Clinic**
 - 870-207-0421
 - 4334 East Highland Drive, Ste. B Jonesboro, AR 72401
- **Craighead County Health Department**
 - 870-933-4585
 - 611 E Washington Ave, Jonesboro, AR

Affordable Health Care Medical Insurance

- **Arkansas Human Services Department**
 - 870-972-1732
- [Website](#)
- 1600 Browns Lane Access Rd, Jonesboro, AR

Submit a Report

[Pregnancy & Parenting Reporting Form](#)

FAQ

(FAQ) Frequently Asked Questions

What academic accommodations are available?

Accommodations may include the following: excused absences related to pregnancy or childbirth, make-up exams or assignment flexibility, and remote learning (must be deemed medically necessary by medical practitioners).

Do I have to tell my professors that I am pregnant or a parent?

Disclosure is the student's decision. However, having effective open communication with your instructors can help you receive accommodations and support throughout your pregnancy in case an emergency arises.

What happens if I miss class due to pregnancy, childbirth, or childcare needs?

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 is a federal Civil Rights Law that prohibits discrimination based on sex, including pregnancy and parental status. When you have an open pregnancy and parenting case with the Title IX Pregnancy and Parenting Case Manager, you should be allowed to make up missed work without penalty. **However, accommodations are not allowed due to lack of childcare.**