



## Attendance Code Guidance for Schools Educating Pregnant Schoolgirls and School Age Parents.

### **Code B** – Off-site education activity:

- When work is sent home for the young person to complete and school is satisfied that the study is being supervised by an appropriate adult.

### **Code C** – Leave of absence authorised by the school:

- Paternity leave.
- Illness of baby.
- Baby medical appointments.
- Lack of childcare due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Agreed part-time timetable.
- When work is sent home for the young person to complete and school is NOT satisfied that the study is being supervised by an appropriate adult.
- Absence during the 18 weeks maternity leave if the young person chooses NOT to access GHES provision and therefore does not become dual registered.

### **Code D** – Dual registered at another educational establishment:

- Absence during the 18 weeks maternity leave when the young person accesses GHES provision whilst dual registered with GHES.

### **Code I** – Illness (not medical or dental appointments):

- Illness during pregnancy.

### **Code M** – Medical or dental appointments:

- Ante-natal appointments.
- Parent medical appointments.

### **Code O** – Absent from school without authorisation:

- Failure to organise childcare for foreseeable circumstances.
- Absence beyond the 18 weeks maternity leave once dual registration with GHES has ceased, unless there is a legitimate alternative reason.

### **Code V** – Educational visit or trip.

- Access to strictly educational support and provision supervised by outside agencies such as antenatal support through GHES, Youth Support Team and Midwifery Services.

For further guidance please refer to the Department of Education – School attendance: guidance for schools.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-attendance>