*Directions:*

*Copy/paste this into an email to your potential college’s admissions office. Feel free to edit this message to reflect your own views and be sure to edit the bolded areas below to match your situation.*

Re: [University name]’s Support of Pregnant and Parenting Students

Dear [**Admissions Counselor**]:

 My name is [**insert name**], and I have been admitted to [**insert University Name**]. I am a [**pregnant/parenting/or potentially pregnant/parenting**] student, and I am writing this letter to ask about your commitment to protecting students like me.

 Title IX requires universities to provide equal opportunities for pregnant students and employees, but it also allows exemptions for religious educational institutions if following the law would conflict with religious beliefs. Although this university has not requested an exemption, I know it has the option of requesting one at any time.

Before deciding to attend your school, I would like to know whether it will protect pregnant and parenting students against harassment and discrimination by following Title IX. I would also appreciate if you would please share information about any services you offer to support students who are pregnant or parenting, such as lactation rooms, on-campus childcare, and pregnancy parking. On-campus services are necessary for pregnant and parenting students to attend classes in person, especially full-time students who are on campus all day.

 I want to go to [**insert University Name**] because I share the same values and beliefs. However, I also want to go to a school that supports families and is committed to educating in an environment that is free from discrimination. I hope you understand the importance of my decision and the reason why I needed to send this letter. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

 Sincerely,

 [**insert name**]