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Keynisha Powell and her son, Oliver Courtney Johnson, Jr. relax on the yard just before finals. Powell, a graduating senior, is one of many student moms who must juggle the pressures of motherhood along with their academic responsibilities. (See related story by Yushawnda Thomas on page 12.)