

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



IF YOUR FAMILY LIVES IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

In a shelter



In a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation In



a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station



Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

Your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

Your eligible children have the right to:

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
 - Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
 - Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
 - Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference.
- * If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest of your children, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.
- Receive transportation to and from the school of origin, if you request this.
 - Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to your children's needs.

If you believe your children may be eligible, contact the local liaison to find out what services and support may be available. There also may be support available for your preschool-age children.

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Information for Parents



IF YOU ARE STAYING IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

In a shelter or transitional housing

In a motel, hotel, or campground
because you don't have another
safe and stable place to stay

In a car, park, public place,
abandoned building, or bus or
train station

In someone else's house because
you lost your housing or are going
through a hard time financially and
don't have another safe and stable
place to stay

Your school-age child(ren) might
qualify for help at school under
the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

If your child(ren) qualify under the McKinney-Vento Act,
they have the right to:

Go to public school for free and
participate fully in school activities.

Enroll in school immediately and go
to class, even if you don't have the
documents normally required for
school. The school where you are
enrolled is responsible for helping
you get any documents needed to
keep attending classes.

**Enroll in the local school near where
you're staying or continue going
to your school of origin** (the school
you went to when you last had a safe
and stable place to live or the school
where you were last enrolled), based
on where you think would be best
for you to go to school.

If the school district thinks that
where you want to go to school is

not in your best interest, the district
has to tell you in writing why it thinks
another school would be better for
you and give you the opportunity to
appeal its decision if you want to do
that. The district also has to connect
you with the McKinney-Vento
district liaison, who has to help you
understand your right to appeal.

**Get transportation to and from
your school of origin**, if you keep
going to this school and ask for
transportation.

Get help at school that is similar
to the help other students get,
based on what you might need.
These services could include
transportation, academic help,
and free meals at school.

If you think your child(ren) might qualify, contact the district
McKinney-Vento local liaison or the McKinney-Vento state coordinator
to find out what help might be available for your child(ren) at school.



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You also can contact the National Center for Homeless Education
if you have questions about your education:

1-305-306-8495 • NCHE.helpline@safalpartners.com • <http://nche.ed.gov>

Information for School-Age Youth



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In someone else's house because you lost your housing or are going through a hard time financially and don't have another safe and stable place to stay

You might qualify for help at school under the federal McKinney-Vento Act, even if you are on your own and not with a parent or guardian.

If you qualify under the McKinney-Vento Act, you have the right to:

Go to public school for free and participate fully in school activities.

Enroll in school immediately and go to class, even if you don't have the documents normally required for school. The school where you are enrolled is responsible for helping you get any documents needed to keep attending classes.

Enroll in the local school near where you're staying or continue going to your school of origin (the school you went to when you last had a safe and stable place to live or the school where you were last enrolled), based on where you think would be best for you to go to school.

If the school district thinks that where you want to go to school is

not in your best interest, the district has to tell you in writing why it thinks another school would be better for you and give you the opportunity to appeal its decision if you want to do that. The district also has to connect you with the McKinney-Vento district liaison, who has to help you understand your right to appeal.

Get transportation to and from your school of origin, if you keep going to this school and ask for transportation.

Get help at school that is similar to the help other students get, based on what you might need. These services could include transportation, academic help, and free meals at school.

If you think you might qualify, contact the district McKinney-Vento local liaison or the McKinney-Vento state coordinator to find out what help might be available for you at school.



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