



McKinney-Vento.org

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If Your Family Lives In Any Of The Following Situations:



In a shelter



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



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



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. Who is homeless under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act?

[Find out in our portal.](#)

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.



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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 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

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

LIAISON CONTACT INFORMATION



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Know Your Rights!



IDENTIFIED STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO

- ✓ Immediate enrollment--even without all the typical paperwork.
- ✓ Attend their school of origin.
- ✓ Transportation to and from their school of origin.
- ✓ Comparable services including free school meals, transportation gifted/ talented programs, career and technical education and Title I.
- ✓ Access to services for which they are eligible including special education, head start and early intervention programs.
- ✓ Barrier removal to ensure full access and participation in school sponsored programs and activities.
- ✓ Dispute resolution if the family, guardian, or unaccompanied youth chooses to dispute a district decision about identification, enrollment, or school selection.
- ✓ UHY protections including enrollment without guardianship documentation.
- ✓ Appointment of homeless liaison who has the time and capacity to identify, support, and advocate for students experiencing homelessness.

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