

**RESIDENCY FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN**

Homeless students living in the district shall be admitted to district schools upon presentation of any of the following:

1. Hotel or motel receipts.
2. A letter from a social service agency or homeless shelter verifying that the student lives within the district.
3. An affidavit from the parent/guardian stating that the family lives within the district. (McKinney-Vento form)

A reasonable effort shall be made to secure an address, phone number and medical release from the parent/guardian when a student is placed in a classroom.

The district shall follow McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act guidelines, a re-authorized by Congress, December 2001.

The 2001 reauthorization includes the following definitions of who is considered homeless for the purposes of the McKinney-Vento Act:

- Children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, and includes children and youth who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement.
- Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a private or public place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.
- Children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.
- Migrating children who qualify because they are living in circumstances described above.

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