

MCKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS EDUCATION ACT

If your family lives in any of the following situations:

1. In a shelter, motel, vehicle or campground;
2. On the street;
3. In an abandoned building, trailer or other inadequate accommodations; or
4. Doubled up with friends or relatives because you cannot find or afford housing.

Then you have certain rights or protections under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act. You have the right to:

1. Go to school, no matter where you live or how long you have lived there. You must be given access to the same public education provided to other students.
2. Continue in the school you attended before you became homeless or the school you last attended, if that is your choice and is feasible. The school district local liaison must assist you, if needed.
3. Receive transportation to the school you attended before you became homeless or the school you last attended, if you request such transportation.
4. Attend a school and participate in school programs with students who are not homeless. Students cannot be separated from regular school programs because they are homeless.
5. Enroll in school without giving a permanent address. School cannot require proof of residency that might prevent or delay school enrollment.
6. Enroll and attend classes while the school arranges for the transfer of school and immunization records or any other documents required for enrollment.
7. Enroll and attend classes in the school of your choice even while the school and you seek to resolve dispute over enrollment.
8. Receive the same special programs and services, if needed, as provided to all other students served in these programs.

If you have any questions or to request additional information, please contact the local liaison for homeless education.