



National Center for Homeless Education

Supporting the Education of Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness

Homeless Education Information

Mckinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1987

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act is a federal law that ensures adequate transportation to and from school, the chance to attend the school they last attended regardless of where they currently reside and other educational benefits that provide educational stability for children and youth considered homeless under the act. It is a conditional funding act that provides federal funding to states and, in turn, the state will use it for the purpose of supporting district programs that serve homeless students.

See the full information of the Mckinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act here:

[Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program](#)

The National Center for Homeless Education provides a national resource tool. For more information on our state's resources (i.e. State Coordinator contact info, State Program website, and other resources that deal with homeless education) see this link:

[NCHE State Resource & Data Tool](#)

A Look at Child Welfare from a Homeless Education Perspective



Although navigating the child welfare system can be daunting for those working in the field of homeless education, local liaisons and others must determine whether children in the child welfare system are eligible for McKinney-Vento services and collaborate with child welfare staff. This document provides an overview of the U.S. child welfare system, the challenges children in care face, and practices to ensure their educational best interest.

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Parent poster



This poster, geared towards parents, explains who qualifies as homeless under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and lists the educational rights of children and youth experiencing homelessness. Place these posters in your school or community to generate public awareness.

Download the [parent poster in English](#). (color, 11x17)

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Youth poster



This poster, geared towards unaccompanied students, explains who qualifies as homeless under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and lists the educational rights of children and youth experiencing homelessness. Place these posters in your school or community to generate public awareness.

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