

If you or your family...



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- live with relatives or friends because you can't find or afford housing on your own;
- live on the street;
- live in an abandoned building, trailer or a building with inadequate accommodations (these conditions may include lack of electricity, plumbing or running water); or
- live in a shelter, motel, vehicle or campground.

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act provides certain protections.

You or your children have the right to:

- Go to school, no matter where you live or how long you have lived there.
- Continue to go to the school you/your children were attending before becoming homeless, or the school last attended, if that is your preference and it is feasible.
- Receive transportation to the school you/your children attended before becoming homeless, or the school last attended, if you, a parent or guardian asks the school for this transportation.
- Go to school and attend school programs with students who are not homeless.
- Enroll in school without giving a permanent address.
- Enroll in school and attend classes while the school arranges for needed educational and medical records.
- Enroll and attend classes in the school of your choice even while the school and you resolve differences over which school you/your children will attend.
- Receive the same special programs and services given to all other students.
- Receive transportation to school and to school programs.
- Ask the school district's homeless liaison for help in getting food, clothing, and school supplies.

You and your children may be able to receive:

- Free school lunch
- Free school books and supplies
- Free bus tickets (tokens)
- Transportation to school programs
- Other benefits

Please contact the school district's homeless liaison at:

You may also contact the state homeless education office at:

