

IS YOUR HOUSING UNCERTAIN?

DO YOU LIVE AT A TEMPORARY ADDRESS?

YOU HAVE IMPORTANT SCHOOL RIGHTS!

ARE YOU LIVING...

- With relatives, friends, or others because you lost your housing or because of economic hardship?
- In a shelter?
- In a motel or hotel because you have nowhere else to go?
- In inadequate housing?

THEN YOU MAY BE PROTECTED UNDER THE MCKINNEY-VENTO ACT!

Children and youth in temporary housing have the right to:

- stay in the same school, including pre-k, and get free transportation even if it is across district lines;
- immediately enroll in school without records (school records, medical records, vaccination records, proof of residency);
- get special education services immediately if the student has a current Individualized Education Plan (IEP);
- participate fully in any school activities, including before- or after-school activities;
- get support services and help with things like school supplies through Title I;
- get free school meals without filling out an application;
- get help enrolling in pre-k, Head Start, other preschool programs, and Early Intervention; and
- get help applying for financial aid for college if the student is an unaccompanied youth.

Ask your McKinney-Vento liaison for help!



DID YOU KNOW?

Every school district must have a McKinney-Vento liaison to help students in temporary housing.

FOR HELP:

- McKinney-Vento Liaison

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