Please come see
Yesenia Chavez at
the Kennewick
Administration
Center
If you or someone you know
may qualify as a
Student in Transition

Parents have the right to appeal the decision of placement by:

Step 1 Contacting the District Liaison in writing
Step 2 Contacting the School Superintendent
in writing
Step 3 Contacting the Office of the Superintendent
of Public Instruction in writing

The full explanation of the appeal process can be
obtained on the KSD website www.ksd.org under
Administrative Regulation #3115

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in Transition

Identifying and
Assisting
Kennewick School
District’s Students
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Kennewick School District

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SCHOOL DISTRICT

KSD provides equal access to all programs and services without discrimination
based on sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably
discharged veteran, or military status, sexual orientation including gender
expression or identity, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical
disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a
disability, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated
youth groups. Questions and complaints of alleged discrimination can be
directed to the Equity and Civil Rights director, Douglas Christensen at (509)
222-5010.
According to the McKinney-Vento Act, Homeless Children and Youth are:

Individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence...

This includes:

- Students doubled up, sharing the housing of others, couch surfing, and *unaccompanied youth.*
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters
- Living in a motel or hotel.
- Living in a short term trailer park or campground.
- Sleeping in a public or private place that is not designed for regular sleeping accommodations.
- Sleeping in substandard housing or bus or train stations, etc.
- Migratory children living in the above conditions.

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act is a federal law that ensures immediate enrollment and educational stability for homeless children and youth. It also may allow students to remain enrolled in their school of origin even if they move outside of their school’s boundary (if feasible). McKinney-Vento provides federal funding to states for the purpose of supporting district programs that serve homeless students by assisting with:

- School stability
- School access
- Support for academic success

Child-centered, best interest decision making

* Unaccompanied Youth:
- Student that is not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian; student is “couch surfing” does not have a regular, fixed or adequate nighttime residence.