

THE LAW

What does TEP do?

All TEP students receive:

- * Regular classroom placement 4K-12
- * Breakfast & lunch programs
- * Comparable transportation
- * School Supplies

In addition to the above, TEP Students may be eligible for:

- * Special education/early childhood
- * Summer school programming
- * Alternative programming

TEP also provides students with:

- * Transportation to school related events, activities, and meetings
- * Information about after-school programming
- * Consultation and direct support to schools and families
- * Referrals and advocacy to community agencies as needed including Head Start
- * Connections to community agencies and between MMSD and other school districts to provide seamless service delivery
- * Medical, dental, and mental health advocacy and housing referral information
- * Support for students pursuing advanced education

McKinney-Vento is a federal law that provides a definition of homelessness, rights to students and families, and responsibilities to states and school districts. It is designed to provide equal access to educational services, as well as reduce barriers to enrollment, attendance, and academic achievement. The goal is to provide educational stability while students are experiencing homelessness.

THE DATA

How many children experience homelessness?

Nationwide (NAEHCY)

1,301,239 students in 2013—2014

Wisconsin (DPI)

18,592 students in 2014—2015

Dane County (DPI)

1750 students in 2015—2016

Madison Metropolitan School District

1500 students in 2015—2016

Where do they go at night? (Homeless Services Consortium, Dane County)

In 2015-16, Dane County shelters served 1097 individuals and 317 families.

59% percent of individuals served by Dane County shelters in 2015-16 were children.

Seventy percent of students identified by MMSD in 2015—2016 were “doubled-up” and not in shelter.



Our goal is to reduce barriers to school enrollment and achievement so that students who are experiencing homelessness have a **full and equitable opportunity to succeed in school.**

Services include, but are not limited to:

- * Advocacy
- * Resource development
- * Staff development
- * Community education
- * Coordination with community partners
- * School supplies
- * Transportation
- * Community Awareness Training

CONTACT

Main number 608-204-2272
Homeless Liaison 608-663-5200

WEBSITE

<https://govprograms.madison.k12.wi.us/TEP>

ADDRESS

Madison Metropolitan School District
Transition Education Program
545 West Dayton Street

THE TRANSITION EDUCATION PROGRAM (TEP)

Who is eligible for TEP?

Any school-aged student living in a shelter or other McKinney-Vento defined homeless situation is eligible. Families new to Madison may enroll immediately in the school of residence.

Current Madison families who become homeless may enroll their students in the attendance area where they are staying or, if feasible, continue to attend the school of origin.

Who is considered homeless?

Students who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence, living in:

- * A Shelter
- * Shared housing due to loss of housing, economic hardship or similar reason
- * Car, park, campground, abandoned building, or other inadequate accommodation
- * Temporarily living in a motel or hotel due to loss of housing, economic hardship or similar reasons

A student may also be living in one of the above situations and not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian. These unaccompanied youth receive additional supports.

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Madison Metropolitan School District

Enrollment 608-663-4957
Homeless Liaison 608-663-5200
TEP Office 608-204-2272

Education for Homeless Children and Youth, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI)

800-441-4563
Dpi.wi.gov
* McKinney-Vento Consultation/Support

Madison-area Out-of-School Time (MOST)

Mostmadison.org
* Find afterschool and summer activities for all kids

REACH Dane/Head Start

608-275-6740
Reachdane.org
* 0-3 year early Head Start
* 4 year old Head Start



LOCAL RESOURCES

United Way 2-1-1 Helpline

Dial 2-1-1 or 608-246-4357
Unitedwaydanecounty.org/get-help/2-1-1
* Food, housing, employment, health care and more

Dane County House Resource Line

1-588-510-2323
Danecountyhomeless.org
* Emergency shelter, housing counseling

Briarpatch 24-hour helpline for Youth/ Shelter

608-251-1126
Youthsos.org
* Runaway and homeless youth programs

Friends of State Street Resource Guide

Madcityhomelessresourceguide.com/resource-list
* Comprehensive list of resources available to homeless and low income families

Community Coordinated Childcare, Inc. (4C's)

608-271-9181
4-c.org
* Childcare resources and referrals

