

ADMISSION OF HOMELESS STUDENTS

To the extent practical and required by law, the Governor Wentworth Regional School District will work with homeless students and their families to provide stability in school. Special attention will be given to ensuring the enrollment and attendance of homeless students not currently attending school. Homeless students will be provided district services for which they are eligible.

Per the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*, homeless students are defined as lacking a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence, including those:

1. Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing or economic hardship;
2. Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks or campgrounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
3. Living in emergency or transitional shelters;
4. Awaiting foster care placement;
5. Who have been abandoned in hospitals;
6. Living in public or private places not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodations for human beings;
7. Living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, transportation stations or similar settings;
8. Who are migratory children living in conditions described in the previous examples.

The District's liaison for homeless students and their families shall coordinate with other agencies that provide services to homeless children and youth and their families.

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