

1 **Baker School District**

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3 **STUDENTS**

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5 Education of Homeless Children

6 Every child of a homeless individual and every homeless child are entitled to equal access to the same  
7 free, appropriate public education as provided to children with permanent housing. The District must  
8 assign and admit a child who is homeless to a District school regardless of residence and irrespective of  
9 whether the homeless child is able to produce records normally required for enrollment. The District may  
10 not require an out-of-District attendance agreement and tuition for a homeless child.

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12 Should a child become homeless over the course of the school year, the child must be able to remain at  
13 the school of origin, or be eligible to attend another school in the district.

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15 The Superintendent will review and revise as necessary rules or procedures that may be barriers to  
16 enrollment of homeless children and youths. In reviewing and revising such procedures, the  
17 Superintendent will consider issues of transportation, immunization, residence, birth certificates, school  
18 records, and other documentation.

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20 Homeless students will have access to services comparable those offered to other students, including but  
21 not limited to:

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23 1. Transportation services;  
24 2. Educational services for which a student meets eligibility criteria (e.g., Title I);  
25 3. Educational programs for children with disabilities and limited English proficiency;  
26 4. Programs in vocational and technical education;  
27 5. Programs for gifted and talented students; and  
28 6. School nutrition program.

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30 The Superintendent will give special attention to ensuring the enrollment and attendance of homeless  
31 children and youths not currently attending school. The Superintendent will appoint a liaison for  
32 homeless children. A “homeless individual” is defined as provided in the McKinney Homeless  
33 Assistance Act.

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35 Anyone having a concern or complaint regarding placement or education of a homeless child will first  
36 present it orally and informally to the District homeless liaison. To further ensure that the District is  
37 removing barriers to the educational access and success of children and youths who are homeless, and to  
38 ensure that Title 1 funding is expended in an appropriate manner, the District has adopted the dispute  
39 resolution form at 3125F.

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41 Cross Reference: 1700 Uniform Complaint Procedure  
42 3125F McKinney-Vento Homeless Educational Assistance Dispute Resolution  
43 Legal Reference: 42 U.S.C. §§42 U.S.C. § 11301 *et seq* 11431, *et seq*.  
44 McKinney Homeless Assistance Act  
45 § 20-5-101, MCA Admittance of child to school

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47 Policy History:

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49 Reviewed on: 12/11/2019  
50 Revised on: 12/11/2019

Baker Public Schools

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**MCKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS EDUCATION ASSISTANCE  
DISPUTE RESOLUTION FORM**

School District \_\_\_\_\_ Liaison \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of first contact by homeless individual, guardian, or representative \_\_\_\_\_

Homeless Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the issue(s) in question \_\_\_\_\_  
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School District Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Superintendent/Principal)

Date \_\_\_\_\_ (within 7 business days)  
Resolution of Liaison/School District Level (*describe below*) \_\_\_\_\_ or  
Forwarded to OPI Homeless Coordinator [*please contact at (406) 444-2036*] \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ (within 15 business days)  
Resolution to OPI Homeless Coordinator Level (*describe below*) \_\_\_\_\_ or  
Forwarded to Superintendent of Public Instruction \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Resolution Results \_\_\_\_\_  
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Homeless Coordinator Signature \_\_\_\_\_

This form must be filed with  
Heather Denny  
Homeless Coordinator  
Office of Public Instruction  
Po Box 202501  
Helena, MT 59620-2501