

District Homeless Liaison:
Michelle Roy, Assistant Superintendent
508-997-3391 x1109

Other Helpful Contacts:
National Center for Homeless Education
1-800-308-2145

Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless
1-781-595-7570

Project Bread Food Source Hotline
1-800-645-8333

SNAP Assistance
gettingfoodstamps.org

Domestic Violence Programs
1-877-785-2020

National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233

National Sexual Assault Hotline
1-800-656-4673

Runaway or Homeless Youth
1-800-786-2929



Andrew B. Cushman School
654 Dartmouth Street
Dartmouth, MA 02748
(508) 996-6759

Joseph DeMello School
654 Dartmouth Street
Dartmouth, MA 02748
(508) 996-6759

Potter Elementary School
185 Cross Road
Dartmouth, MA 02747
(508) 996-8259

Quinn Elementary School
529 Hawthorn Street
Dartmouth, MA 02747
(508) 997-3178

Dartmouth Middle School
366 Slocum Road
Dartmouth, MA 02747
(508) 997-9333

Dartmouth High School
555 Bakerville Road
Dartmouth, MA 02747
(508) 961-2700



**INFORMATION FOR PARENTS
ON THE MCKINNEY-VENTO ACT**

DARTMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MCKINNEY-VENTO ACT

If your family lives in any of the following situations your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.



In a shelter



In a motel or campground



In a vehicle or public place or



With other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship?

This includes migrant and unaccompanied youth living in any of the above situations.

If you believe your children, including preschool-age children, may be eligible, contact the local homeless liaison to find out what services and supports may be available.



YOUR ELIGIBLE CHILDREN HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
- Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
- Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference and is feasible.

**If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest of your children, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.*

- At your request, receive transportation up to one hour to and from the school of origin.
- Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to your children's needs.

DO HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH HAVE ACCESS TO THE SAME SERVICES AS OTHER CHILDREN IN THE COMMUNITY?

HOMELESS STUDENTS ARE PROVIDED SERVICES AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS COMPARABLE TO THOSE RECEIVED BY OTHER STUDENTS AND FOR WHICH THEY MEET ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA, SUCH AS:

- Title I services and programming;
- programs for students with disabilities;
- programs for students learning English;
- vocational or technical programs;
- gifted and talented programs, and
- school nutrition programs.

