

Project REACH/Fostering Connections

Realizing the Educational Achievement of Children Experiencing Homelessness and Foster Care

Office of Title I Federal Programs

End of Year

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Project REACH is a Saint Paul Public Schools shelter and street-based program that promotes school stability and academic success of homeless children and youth. Our program staff serve pre-K and school age children who are in temporary housing situations.

Fostering Connections is a Saint Paul Public Schools program that assists with the education stability of students placed in out-of-home care.

If a family is experiencing homelessness, they should call 211 to access shelter options in Ramsey County

- Coordinated Access to Housing and Shelter will assess the situation to help find the best housing options

There will soon be a Coordinated Entry system for youth - [stay tuned!](#)

Youth can call the Youth Shelter Line at 651-444-5757

- For youth 16-21 years old
- Phone line answered 24/7

Stay connected!

- "Like" us on Facebook to receive updates and articles that relate to our work
- Check out our website homeless.spps.org for more information

Remind parents to contact your school in the fall if they continue to experience homelessness. We can help with transportation, but also with backpacks, uniforms, and school supplies

Contact Project REACH to find out more:

- Summer Chess Camp Scholarships available. Go to www.aljoschessdojo.com/scholarship for more info
- Oxford Pool has Full Swim Lesson Scholarships provided for homeless kids studying at Saint Paul Public Schools
- Project REACH and Second Harvest have partnered to provide food to families through Food +You
- College Possible is recruiting current Sophomores and Juniors in high school who have experienced foster care
- Check out Second Harvest website for information on free summer food programs across St. Paul

Please remind parents to enroll their child in summer school.

- We want to make sure that any students experiencing homelessness get full access to all the academic opportunities

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We are so appreciative and grateful for your generosity.
We would not be able to provide our students and families with the resources without your contribution!*

Project REACH

- 1915 Students eligible for McKinney Vento services
 - 844 (44%) Students in grades 1-5
 - 768 (40%) Students in grades 6-12
- 2219 Students served by Project REACH staff
- 1127 (59%) Students "doubled up" with family or friends due to lack of housing
- 562 (29%) Students live in shelters
- 1332 (70%) Students identify as African American
- 1766 (92%) Students identify as African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian or Hispanic
- 275 (14%) Students are unaccompanied youth
- 1252 hours of tutoring sessions at varied shelters

Fostering Connections

- 209 Students in Foster Care
- 120 (57%) Students identify as African American
- 180 (86%) Students identify as African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian or Hispanic
- 81 (39%) Students in grades 1-5



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