

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act

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### Right to a Free Public Education



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#### Who is homeless?

Individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence

Includes children and youth



#### Who is homeless?

Sharing housing

Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks

Living in emergency or transitional housing

Abandoned in hospitals



## How many students are homeless?

# 23,748

School Level	Number of homeless children/youth enrolled in public school
PreK-5	12,431
6-8	4,934
9-12	6,383
Total	23,748 (includes 22 Ungraded)

#### Where are they living?

Primary Night Time Residence	Number of homeless children/youth excluding preschoolers
Shelters	4,649
Doubled-up	17,674
Unsheltered (e.g., cars, parks, campgrounds)	325
Hotels/Motels	1,100



#### **McKinney-Vento Act**

Reauthorizes the McKinney Act (1987).

Requires educational access

Provides states with funding



#### **McKinney-Vento Act**



#### McKinney-Vento Act means:

Liaison collaboration between social service agencies and school districts

Restriction of the segregation of homeless students





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### Enroll Even When Lacking Records

Proof of residency

Guardianship

Birth certificates, school records



### Enroll Even When Lacking Records

Birth certificates, school records

Medical records, including immunization

Required dress code items, including uniforms



#### **Enrollment**

Obtain missing documentation and records

#### District Responsibilities

Remove barriers to enrolling homeless students

Make school records available in a timely manner



#### **District Responsibilities**

Provide comparable and coordinated services

Ensure that homeless students are not segregated in separate schools or programs



#### **District Liaison Responsibilities**



Assist homeless students with immediate enrollment and attendance to school



### Promote School and Community Awareness

Training to school personnel

Disseminate public notices of rights

Coordinate with shelters, hotels, homeless serving agencies





#### **Data Collection**

Collect information on homeless children and youth, including their places of residence

Include homeless students in statewide assessments



#### **Data Collection**

Method to collect local data and submit to state

**EMIS** 





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#### **Transportation**

Share responsibility

Provide comparable service

Make arrangements

Coordinate with transportation directors



#### **Board Policy**







#### Title I Part A Set Aside

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Funds to provide services to homeless children who are not attending a participating Title I school



### Serving Homeless Children and Youth Under Title I, Part A

An LEA may also use Title I, Part A funds to provide:

 Educationally related services to homeless children and youth in shelters and other locations where they may live.



### Serving Homeless Children and Youth Under Title I, Part A

- Services that may not ordinarily be provided to other students.
- For Example:
- Items of clothing, particularly if necessary to meet a school's dress or uniform requirement
- Clothing and shoes necessary to participate in physical education classes.

### Serving Homeless Children and Youth Under title I, Part A

- Examples: (cont.)
- Student fees that are necessary to participate in the general education program
- Personal school supplies such as backpacks and notebooks.
- Birth certificates necessary to enroll
- Immunizations
- Other examples listed in G-11 of Title I Use of Funds

#### **New Authority**

 Provided further, that funds available under sections 1124,1124A, 1125 and 1125A of the ESEA may be used to provide homeless children and youths with services not ordinarily provided to other students under those sections, including supporting liaisons designated pursuant to section 722(g)(1)(J)(ii) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, and providing transportation 722(g)(1)(J)(iii)of such Act.

## **New Authority**

- The 2014 appropriations act expands the use of Title I funds to support homeless children and youth for the following requirements under McKinney-Vento:
- Local homeless liaisons
- Transportation to and from the school of origin.

# Unaccompanied Immigrant Children

DHS, through ICE, takes custody of unaccompanied immigrant children as they cross the border (or when discovered in the US).



Within 72 hours<sup>2</sup>, children are transferred to the custody of DHHS.



DHHS, through
ORR, provides
immediate
shelter (often on
military bases)
and basic
services
(including
education).



ORR seeks appropriate longer-term placements, including the following:



#### Detention

- •McKinney-Vento eligible? No.
- •Incarcerated, not homeless.

#### Foster Family

- McKinney-Vento eligible? Probably not.
- Unless particular situation meets your state's definition of "awaiting foster care placement."

#### Group Home or Shelter

- •McKinney-Vento eligible? Probably.
- •Case-by-case using MV definition

### Other Sponsor<sup>3</sup>

- •McKinney-Vento eligible? It depends.
- •Case-by-case using MV definition.
- •If sponsor is not a parent, homelessness is much more likely.
- Homeless status may change over time.

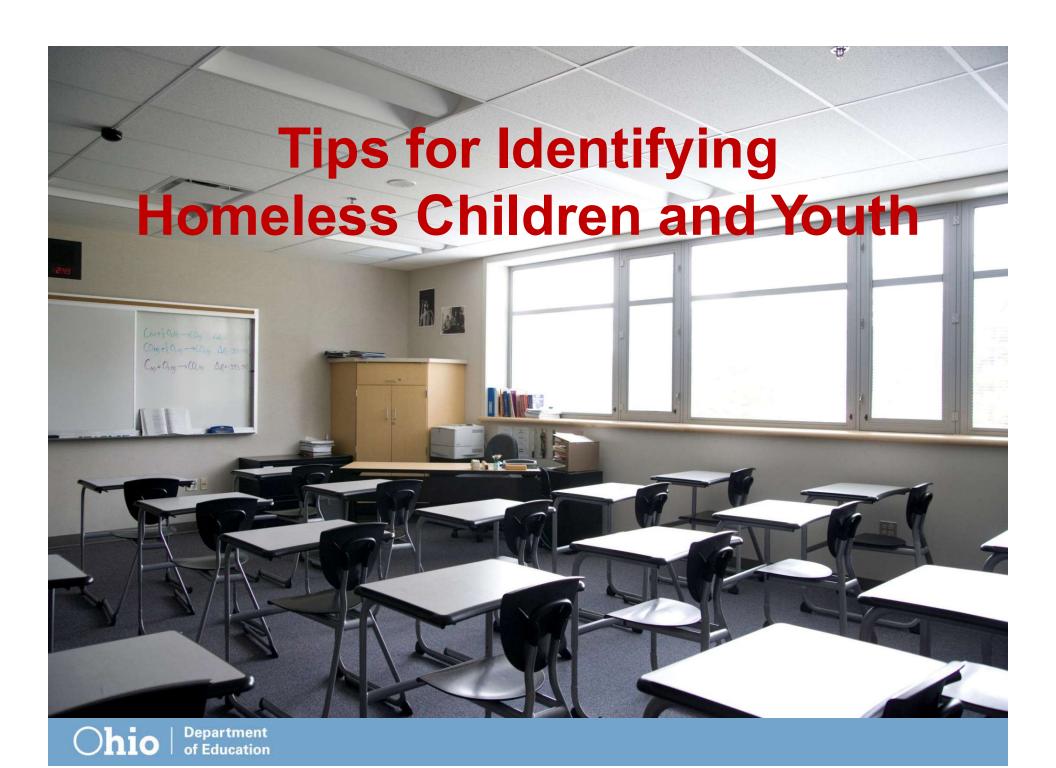
# Program Audit and Compliance Tracking System



Self evaluation

Telephone survey

On-site review





# Train school enrollment personnel to:

Look for signs

Offer assistance

Contact you



### Possible Signs of Homelessness

Attendance at several schools

More than one family at the same address

Attention-seeking behavior



## Possible Signs of Homelessness

Hunger and hoarding of food

Poor hygiene and grooming

Sleeping in class





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