

Homeless Assistance Program (HAP)

ECISD Community Outreach Center (COC) Homeless Assistance Program (HAP) provides services to help homeless students enroll in school through the federal McKinney Vento Act.

- Assistance with school enrollment
- School supplies
- Clothing assistance
- Grad Lab Drop Out Recovery Program
- Information & assistance regarding the rights of homeless students



Bilingual/ESL Assistance Program

The COC Bilingual/ESL program provides help to families designed to remove barriers to school attendance and performance.

- Assistance with school enrollment
- School Supplies
- Grad Lab Drop Out Recovery Program

ECISD Community Outreach Center

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The ECISD Community Outreach Center periodically sends Twitter messages to notify the community of resources available in Ector County.

To receive text notifications:

Text: follow ecisdcoutreach
To: 40404

To stop receiving texts:

Text: unfollow ecisdcoutreach
To: 40404

Ector County ISD does not discriminate on the basis of gender, age, race, nationality, religion, disability, socioeconomic standing or non-proficiency in English language skills in providing educational services for students' benefit.

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Community Outreach Center



Our mission

is to improve school attendance and performance by promoting a positive home and school environment. We help families make the use of the full range of social, educational and community services.

We serve all ECISD schools plus:

- Assist families in obtaining school supplies, clothing, food, shelter, utilities & other basic needs
- Work with parents to enhance parenting skills
- Link families with area social service agencies
- Work through the court system to enforce school attendance laws*
- Maintain an up to date knowledge of state & federal laws regarding child welfare

**Truancy from school violates Texas law. Truancy charges are filed against the parent when unexcused absences accrue. Conviction of Parent Contributing to Non-Attendance can affect your criminal record and result in fines.*

Every Day Counts!

Every day counts towards your child's academic success! Truancy from school is often the first sign a family is in need of help.

Tips to ensure a successful education for your child:

- Excuse student only for valid medical reasons and do not remove child early from school without providing a valid excuse
- Telephone the attendance clerk at your child's campus each day the child is out
- Take an active role in your child's education by meeting with campus staff regularly or when questions or problems arise
- Set a consistent & reasonable bed time for your child each night and develop an age appropriate morning routine
- Provide assertive discipline for child's poor choices (The **Parenting Wisely** program is proven to help families with discipline.)
- Attend school with child if truancy continues
- Reward positive choices your child makes
- Encourage & expect your child to graduate on time
- Call the Community Outreach Center or your child's campus if you need assistance with your child's attendance



Parenting Wisely

is an exciting program we offer! **Parenting Wisely** is evidence-based, proven effective and takes only 3-6 hours to complete. Extensive research and clinical tests show that use of **Parenting Wisely** resulted in:

- Increased knowledge & use of good parenting skills
- A decrease in child behavior problems by as much as 30%
- Reduced spousal violence & violence toward children
- Improved problem solving

Parenting Wisely is a Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) "Model Program" and an Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) "Exemplary Program."

When (pick one)

- Mon.—Fri. 8:30—11:30am or 1:30—4:30pm
- Most Monday Evenings 5:30—8:30pm
- 1st Saturday of the month 8:00am—2:00pm

For: All parents of children ages 3-21

Language: English or Spanish

Cost: FREE! Please call us to register