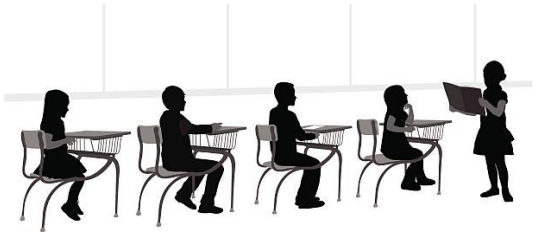
Program Goals

- Support and meet the educational needs of students in short-term or temporary housing situations by providing the same opportunity to meet high academic standards.
- Maintain consistency of the educational process while living in transitional housing.
- Engage parents, school, and community as full partners in the educational process of students who are in transitional situations.
- Provide a connection between school and home.



Eligibility Definition

Children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, **including** children and youth who are:

- Sharing the housing of others due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason.
- Living in motels or campgrounds due to the lack of alternative accommodations.
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters.
- Abandoned in hospitals.
- Living in places that are not regular sleeping accommodations for people such as cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.
- Migratory children and youth living in any of the above situations.

Community Resources

Housing Resources:

Crosswalk: 525 W 2nd Ave, (509) 838-6596
Emergency shelter for youth 14–17

UGM Crisis Shelter: 1234 E Sprague Ave, (509) 535-0486
Emergency shelter for women with children

HFCA—Housing Assessment: (509) 325-5005
All homeless families needing housing help

SHCA—Housing Assessment: (509) 456-SNAP (7627)
212 S. Wall St.,
All homeless singles needing housing help

www.housingsearchnw.org:
Online database for anyone looking for low-income housing

Food Resources:

North Palouse Community Food Bank: (509) 283-4250
Serving Fairfield, Rockford, Latah, and Waverly

Spangle Food Bank: 305 E. 2nd, Spangle
Serving Spangle & Rosalia, 4th Wednesday, 2-3 p.m.

2nd Harvest: (509) 534-6678

Northwest Harvest: (509) 891-7012

Medical/Mental Health Resources:

Washington Health Plan Finder:
www.wahealthplanfinder.org, (855) 923-4633

WA Recovery Helpline: (866) 789-1511
Substance abuse recovery

First Call For Help: (509) 838-4651
Crisis mental health concerns

Infant Toddler Network: (509) 324-1651
Concerns about development of a child ages birth to three

Employment Resources:

Next Generation Zone: 901 E. 2nd, Suite 100 (509) 340-7800
Employment and education services for youth 16-21

Crisis Resources:

Domestic Violence (YWCA): (509) 326-2255

Suicide Prevention Lifeline: (800) 273-8255

National Runaway Lifeline: (800) 786-2929

Vanessa Behan Crisis Nursery: (509) 535-3155

Other Resources:

WA Information Network: 2-1-1

www.washingtonconnection.org
Applying for and accessing Washington State benefits

Liberty School District #362
29818 S. North Pine Creek Road
Spangle, WA 99031
(509) 624-4415

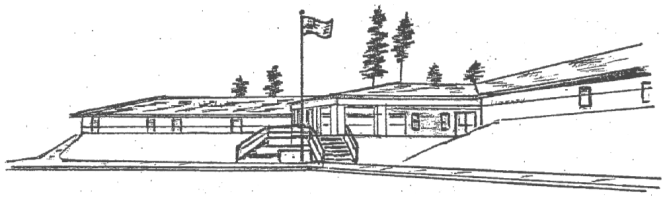
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McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Programs

Supporting the educational rights of students who are living in emergency, temporary and/or transitional housing situations.

Program Services

- Coordinate transportation to student's "school of origin" when needed.
- Provide necessary school supplies.
- Help school staff locate and compile records for students in emergency, temporary and/ or transitional housing who are new to the district.
- Connect students and families with appropriate school district and community resources.
- Serve as a liaison between school, parents, students and community agencies to meet the educational needs of students.
- Communicate with schools about students in their building and contact teachers and school officials about developing issues.
- Provide professional development opportunities to schools and community agencies to assist in supporting the educational needs of students.



Educational Rights of Preschool-aged and School-aged Students Who Live in Transitional Situations

- The right to stay in their school even if they move out of the school district. Students can also finish the current school year in their school even if they find permanent housing during that school year.
- The right to immediately enroll, attend classes and participate fully in school activities in the local school in the area where they are living, without proof of residency, immunization records, or other medical records, school records, or other documents.
- The right to eliminate barriers for a student's full participation in school and school related activities (i.e. school fees, required supplies).
- The right to get transportation to their "school of origin" provided or arranged by the school district, or a joint effort between school districts.
- The right to attend school district provided pre-school programs.
- The right to access to all school services including free school meals, services for English language learners, special education, Title I services, vocational/technical education, gifted and talented services, and before and after school care, etc., as needed.
- The right to have disagreements with the school settled quickly and go to the school they choose while disagreements are settled. Washington State has a uniform policy and procedure for Dispute Resolution. Details can be found at: **http://www.k12.wa.us/HomelessEd/pubdocs/DisputeResolutionPolicy.doc**
- The right to the same opportunity to meet the same high academic achievement standards as all students.
- The right to a free Child Find evaluation to assess developmental status. Details can be found at **www.srhd.org/news.asp?id=147**.

Liberty School District Mission Statement

Liberty School District will provide a safe, nurturing, and rigorous learning environment maximizing each student's potential today, with tomorrow in mind.

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If you need further assistance, call the National Center for Homeless Education at the toll-free Helpline number:

1-800-308-2145

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