## INFORMATION for YOUTH

If you live in any of the following situations:

In a shelter

In a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation

In a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

You may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

## Youth, including those who are on their own, have the right to:

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
- Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
- Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
- Enroll in the local school; or continue attending your school of origin (the school you attended when permanently housed or the school in which you were last enrolled), if that is your preference,
  - If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.
- Receive transportation to and from the school of origin, if you request this.
- Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to your needs.

If you believe you may be eligible, contact the local liaison to find out what services and supports may be available.





www.billingsschools.org/programs/homeless-education