

The New York State Technical and Educational **Assistance Center for Homeless Students**

Uncertain? Is Your Housing

- Are you living...
 - with relatives, friends, or others because you lost your housing or because of economic hardship?
 - In a shelter?
 - In a motel or hotel because you have nowhere else to go?
 - In inadequate housing?

DO YOU LIVE AT A **TEMPORARY ADDRESS?**



Then you may be protected under the McKinney-Vento Act.

Children and youth in temporary housing have the right to:



- stay in the same school, including pre-k and get free transportation even if it is across district lines;
- immediately enroll in school without records (school records, medical records, vaccination records, proof of residency);
- get special education services immediately if the student has a current individualized Education Program (IEP);
- Participate fully in any school activities, including before- or after-school activities;
- get support services and help with things like school supplies through Title I;
- get free school meals without filling out an application;
- get help enrolling in pre-k, Head Start, or other preschool programs, and Early Intervention; and
- get help preparing and applying for college.

YOU HAVE **IMPORTANT** SCHOOL **RIGHTS!**

ASK YOUR MCKINNEY-VENTO LIAISON FOR HELP!

Did you know?

Every school district must have a McKinney-Vento liaison to help students in temporary housing.

FOR HELP:

• McKinney-Vento Liaison

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information at 800-388-2014 or visit www.nysteachs.com/liaisons

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