



# McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

## Who is Covered?

Children who **lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence**

- Sharing the housing of others due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, camping grounds due to lack of adequate alternative accommodations
- Awaiting foster care placement
- Unaccompanied youth who are experiencing the above circumstances

## Why?

- Students who switch schools frequently score lower on standardized tests; study found mobile students scored 20 points lower than non-mobile students
- Mobility also hurts non-mobile students; study found average test scores for non-mobile students were significantly lower in high schools with high student mobility rates

## Homeless Children have the right to:

**enroll without health / school records, enroll in school that is temporary or "school of origin", receive transportation when feasible, receive school services, dispute resolutions with grievance process**

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