Information on the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

If your family lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence and is forced to live in any of the following situations:

- Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardships, or a similar reason (example: evicted from home, etc.).
- In a motel, hotel, campground or similar setting due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations.
- In an emergency or transitional shelter.
- Have a primary nighttime residence that is not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for humans.
- In a car, park, public space, abandoned building, substandard housing, bus or train station, or a similar setting.

In addition, a student who is not in the physical custody of a parent/guardian **and** is living in one of these situations listed above may be considered an unaccompanied youth.

Then the student may have the right to:

- Enroll in school without proof of residency, immunization, school records, or other documents.
- Choose between the local school where you are living or the school last attended before becoming homeless, when feasible.
- Receive transportation to school.
- Attend school and participate in school programs with children who are not homeless. Children cannot be separated from the regular school program because they are homeless.
- Receive all the school services available to other students.

Eligibility for McKinney-Vento rights is determined by the District's Homeless Education Program office staff and must be renewed each school year. Referrals can be made by contacting the HEP office.

For Further Information:
Refer to Homeless Students in the Board Policy Manual on the District's website at www.kcasdk12.org

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