Higley Unified School District 2935 S. Recker Rd.
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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our records indicate at some point this school year you or your child qualified for services under the McKinney- Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act. It has been our pleasure to provide support services during this transitional period. **However, as of May 20th, 2026, students enrolled in the McKinney-Vento program are NO longer eligible for services.**

McKinney-Vento eligibility must be reviewed and reevaluated every school year.
Transportation, free meals, and other services that may have been provided during the current school year **DO NOT** automatically carry over to the upcoming school year.

I am happy to hear that many MKV families have found stable housing over the past year. If you are one of those families, your student(s) **will not** qualify for McKinney-Vento services in the upcoming school year. That may mean you have some big decisions to make concerning your child's education and what is in their best interest. The following what-if scenarios are designed to answer some commonly answered questions if you *have* found permanent housing:

Q: I live outside of district boundaries and don't know if I want to stay with HUSD or enroll at a school near me. Changing schools can be an intimidating thought, but it may be in you and your child's best interest. Ask yourself "If I stay at Higley…?"

- Am I able to get my children to and from school on time every day?
- Will I be able to pick them up should an emergency arise?

Q. I'm no longer homeless, and I want my child to stay at a HUSD school. What are my options?

- If your home is within the school's residential boundaries, you can enroll at your *assigned* HUSD school.
- If your home is **outside** the school's residential boundaries, then you will have to fill out an **open enrollment application** and submit it to the school for consideration. Transportation will NOT be provided for open enrollment. *Please note that this is at the principal's discretion and based on enrollment numbers*

Q. I live outside the boundaries for the HUSD district and have decided to enroll my child at the school in our area. What do I do now?

1. Contact the registrar of your child's old school to withdraw them and give the registrar information on the new school where your child will be attending.
2. Complete enrollment paperwork at the new school.

Still Living in Transition?

If you are still in transition and believe your child may qualify for McKinney-Vento status in the *2026-2027* school year, you may need to contact your child's school registrar with your current place of residence. You may then contact me to discuss your SIT eligibility *after July 16th, 2026*.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to assist you. If you have questions, please reach out.

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