



Information for Parents

If your family lives in any of the following situations

due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations, economic hardships or loss of housing



In a Shelter



**Hotel/Motel or
Campground**



**Car, Park, Empty
Building, Bus or
Train Station**



**Doubled up with
other people**

Your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

Your eligible children 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.**
- ✓ **Receive assistance with transportation needs.**
- ✓ **Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to your children's needs.**
- ✓ **Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference.**

If the school district believes that the school you select is not in the best interest of your children, then the district must provide you with a written explanation of its position and inform you of your right to appeal its decision.

If you believe your children may be eligible, contact the local liaison to find out what services and supports may be available. There also may be support available for your preschool-age children.



Local Liaison: Breana Bowsher, 269 445 0519

If you need further assistance with your children's educational needs, contact the National Center for Homeless Education:

1-800-308-2145 homeless@serve.org