

For any questions, concerns, or comments about the McKinney-Vento Act please contact your School District's Homeless Liaison.

For a complete list of School District Homeless Liaisons in Illinois, visit

<http://webapps.isbe.net/homelesschildliaison/>

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Lead Area Liaison, Johna Schullian
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Where Can I Go For More Information and Assistance?

National Center for Homeless Education
NCHE Help Line: 800-308-2145
www.serve.org/nche

National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth
www.naehcy.org

Illinois State Board of Education
www.isbe.net



McKinney-Vento

Homeless Education Act

Families in Transition



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

The **McKINNEY-VENTO ACT** covers children and youth who don't have a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, such as those living:

- ✓ In an emergency or transitional shelter; with friends or relatives due to loss of housing or economic hardship (also known as doubled up);
- ✓ In a motel, hotel, campground, car, bus or train station or other public place, an abandoned building or some other inadequate accommodations;
- ✓ As Unaccompanied Youth, including youth who are not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian

McKinney-Vento Homeless Act STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- *Immediately enroll in school even if the student lacks documentation regarding residency, guardianship, immunizations or school records
- *Attend the school of residence or the school of origin
- *Remain enrolled in the selected school for the duration of homelessness or through the academic year if they become permanently housed
- *Obtain free transportation to/from school
- *Participate in any school activity that is available to other students
- *Receive free school meals without filling out an application



“Education breeds confidence. Confidence breeds hope. Hope breeds peace.”
– Confucius

STUDENTS & FAMILIES CAN CHOOSE FROM:

- ❖ The school they went to when permanently housed (known as the school of origin);
- ❖ The last school they went to (also known as the school of origin); or
- ❖ The school located in the attendance area where they are temporarily living (known as the local school).