McKinney-Vento Act Residency and Homelessness Questionnaire

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act was created with the goal of ensuring the enrollment, attendance, stability, and educational services for children and youth experiencing homelessness.

When families and students find themselves in transition due to their housing situation, it is important that they know their rights regarding education. If students meet the requirements as stated in the McKinney-Vento Act (42 U.S.C 11431 et seq., Title VII, Subtitle B), their rights are as follows:

- Students may attend their school of origin or the school where they are temporarily residing.
- Students must be provided a written statement of their rights when they enroll and at least two additional times per year.
- Students may enroll without school, residency, or similar records normally required if not available.
- Students have a right to transportation to school of origin or where they are temporarily residing.
- Students must be provided a statement explaining why they are denied enrollment or any other services.
- Students must receive services, such as transportation, while disputes are being settled.
- Students are automatically eligible for Title I services.

The U.S. Department of Education includes the following situations as experiencing homelessness:

- Doubled up with family or friends due to loss of housing and economic hardship
- Living in motels and hotels for lack of other suitable housing and economic hardship
- Runaway and displaced children and youth – Unaccompanied Youth
- Homeless shelters and transitional housing programs
- Public places not meant for housing
- Cars, trailer/camper (does not include mobile homes intended for permanent housing), or campgrounds temporarily due to loss of housing and economic hardship
- Migratory children staying in housing not fit for habitation

Please complete the form online and/or return it to your school office.
Questions may be directed to your Principal, School Social Worker, or:
Becky Rose, Director of Student Services/McKinney-Vento Liaison, 812-330-7700
Charie Gibson, IDOE Homeless Education Specialist, McKinneyVentoPOC@doe.in.gov
IDOE McKinney-Vento: Homeless Children and Youth Program

Please complete the McKinney-Vento Residency Homeless Questionnaire for each individual student.
McKinney-Vento Residency Homeless Questionnaire

Student Name _________________________________ Date of Birth __________________________

School ____________________________ Grade Level ________________________________

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act defines “homeless” as “individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.” This includes children who “are temporarily sharing the housing of other persons due to the loss of housing or economic hardship.”

☐ Does not apply; student is not homeless

Please check one of the following statements if your family is experiencing temporary homelessness:

☐ Living in an emergency homeless shelter, including transitional housing programs (i.e. The Rise, New Hope)

☐ Living in a public place not meant for housing, car, trailer/camper, (does not include mobile homes intended for permanent housing) campgrounds, due to loss of housing and economic hardship

☐ Living in hotels/motels due to lack of adequate housing and economic hardship

☐ Doubled-up; Temporarily living with family or friends due to lack of adequate housing or economic hardship

Please provide current address of where student is temporarily living:
Address: ____________________________________________________________

Please answer the following if student is homeless and you checked one of the four boxes above:

How long do you expect to be at this address? ____________________________

Are you seeking permanent housing? _________

Date student moved to current address: ____________________________

Is a parent/guardian living in the home with the student? _________

If no, with whom is student living? ____________________________ Relationship: ____________________________

We have read the information provided and indicated our living circumstances above with regard to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

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Signature of Parent/Guardian/Unaccompanied Youth                Date

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Office Use Only:  _______Does Qualify under McKinney-Vento Act   _______Does NOT Qualify

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School McKinney-Vento Liaison Designee Signature                Date

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MCCSC McKinney-Vento Liaison Signature                Date

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