



*McKinney-Vento Homeless
Education Assistance
Improvement Act of 2001*

(Paraphrased for Understanding)

Kids who are homeless have the right to the same public education (including preschool) that other children enjoy.

State agencies are required to make it easier for homeless children to enroll in the benefit from school.

A student cannot be denied enrollment in school simply because he/she is homeless.

Students who are homeless will be given the same educational materials and services that other student receive in order to pass state tests.



School Districts
must ...

1. Reserve a portion of Title I funds to serve students who are homeless.
2. Review & revise policies that impede students who are homeless.
3. Post rights of students who are homeless in schools and places frequented by the homeless.
4. Identify a McKinney-Vento Liaison to assist students and staff.

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McKinney – Vento
Homeless
Education
Assistance



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Homeless . . . Who Me?

Youth living in any of the following situations are considered homeless by the U.S. Department of Education.

- *Doubled up with grandparents, family or friends due to economic conditions.
- *Living in a motel/hotel because other housing is unavailable.
 - *A runaway youth.
- *In a home for pregnant or unwed mothers without another place in which to live.
 - *In a domestic violence shelter.
 - *In transitional housing.
 - *Living on the streets.
- *Staying in abandoned buildings.
 - *Sleeping in public places.
- *Living in a car, trailer or campground.
 - *A child awaiting foster care.
- *A seasonal work family staying in unfit housing.

Children and youth experiencing homelessness have the right to . . .

- *Go to school, no matter where they live or how long they have lived there.
- *Continue in the school they last attended before becoming homeless if that is the parent/guardian's choice if feasible.
- *Receive transportation to the school they last attended before becoming homeless if the parent/guardian's request such transportation.
- *Attend school and participate in school programs with children who are not homeless.
- *Enroll in school without giving a permanent address.
- *Enroll and attend classes while the school arranges for the transfer of school and immunization records or any other documents required for enrollment.
- *Receive the same special programs and services if needed, as provided to all other children served in these programs.
- *Receive transportation to school and to school programs comparable to the provided to children who are not homeless.

Community Resources

Idaho Care Line 211

Children's Support and Assistance:
Bingham County SEICCA-785-1583

Emergency Housing:
Bingham County Crisis Center (Only Immediate Danger) -785-1047
Bingham County SEICCA-785-1583

Food Assistance:
District Health Department (WIC only)-
785-2160
Meals on Wheels Senior Citizen Center-
785-4714
SEICCA Commodities Distribution- 785-1583
Shelley Food Bank- 881-5106

Low Income Housing:
Bingham Housing-785-9639
Briarwood Apartments- 785-5109
Camas Street Apartments- 785-2280
Chaparral Meadows- 785-6824
Colonial Cesar Chavez Apartments- 785-7544
Sunny Ridge Apartments- 782-2111
Sunset Manor -785-6171

Low Income Energy Assistance:
Bingham County SEICCA-785-1583

Medical Assistance:
Bingham County Welfare Indigent Services-
782-3097
District Health Department Health & Wellness
Program- 785-2160
Community Counsel of Idaho -785-6390

Rental Assistance:
Bingham County Welfare Indigent Services -
782-3097
Idaho Housing -522-6002
Community Council of Idaho -785-6390