

It is your right to appeal a school's decision!

Parents, guardians and unaccompanied youth living in temporary housing have a right to appeal a school's decision. Please contact your school homeless liaison for help to appeal.

For any questions, concerns or comments about the Families in Transition Program or the McKinney—Vento Act please contact your school homeless liaison.

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Community Resources

Community Advocates Permanent Housing

728 N. James Lovell Street
Milwaukee, WI 53233
414-449-4777

[http://communityadvocates.net/what-we-do/
tenant-landlord-help.html](http://communityadvocates.net/what-we-do/tenant-landlord-help.html)

2-1-1 Impact

Phone: simply dial 2-1-1

<http://www.impactinc.org/impact-2-1-1>

Pathfinders

1614 E. Kane Place
Milwaukee, WI 53202
414-271-1560 (24 hours/day)

<http://pathfindersmke.org>

Teen Crisis and Runaway Program Walker's Point Youth & Family Center

732 S. 21st Street
Milwaukee, WI 53204
414-647-8200 (24 hours/day)

[https://walkerspoint.org/runaway-teen-crisis-
program](https://walkerspoint.org/runaway-teen-crisis-program)

Hunger Task Force Food Pantry

201 S. Hawley Court
Milwaukee, WI 53214
414-777-0483

<https://www.hungertaskforce.org>

Veritas High School



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McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act



Families In Transition

Frequently Asked Questions

If a student moves into permanent housing, can they stay in the same school?

Yes, a student who moves into permanent housing can stay in the same school until the end of the current school year.

Can a school require a student in temporary housing to show proof of residence to register for school?

No, if a student says that they are homeless, they must be enrolled immediately even if they do not have the papers normally needed such as proof of residence, immunization records, a birth certificate, guardianship records or school records.

Can a student who is living in temporary housing stay in the same school if they move out of the school district?

Yes, the student has the right to attend the school they attended when permanently housed.

McKinney–Vento Homeless Act

Students in temporary housing have the right to: **Immediately enroll** in school and attend classes. **Obtain free transportation to the school of origin** even if it is in another district. **Receive free transportation to the local school** if transportation is provided to other students. **Get special education services** immediately if the student has a current IEP (even if the IEP itself is not available or if it is from another district). **Participate in any school activity** that is available to other students and get transportation to and from all before or after school activities if it is provided to other students and **Receive free school meals** without filling out an application.

Who is Eligible?

The McKinney–Vento Act covers children and youth who don't have a fixed, adequate and regular 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 or campground;
- * In a car, bus or train station or other public place;
- * In an abandoned building or some other inadequate accommodations.

They can choose from:

- * The school they attended when permanently housed (known as the school of origin);
- * The last school they attended (also known as the school of origin); or
- * The school located in the attendance area where they are temporary living (known as the local school).

