

Further Information

If you live in one of the aforementioned situations, you do not need to provide:

- * proof of residency;
- * immunization records or a TB skin test result;
- * birth certificate;
- * school records; or
- * legal guardianship papers to enroll in school.



For More Information

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Paradise Independent School District

**Explanation of:
McKinney-Vento
Act
2016-2017**



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McKinney-Vento Act—Explained

“Children and Youth in Transition”

Children and youth in transition means children and youth who are otherwise legally entitled to or eligible for a free public education, including preschool, and lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence, including:

- * Children and youth who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, camping grounds or trailer parks due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations, are living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals.

- * Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a private or public place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings;

- * Children and youth who are living in a car, park, public space, abandoned building, substandard housing, bus or train station, or similar setting; and

- * Migratory children and youth who are living in a situation described above.

Common Definitions

Unaccompanied Youth—a youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian, who is in transition as defined earlier. The more general term youth also includes unaccompanied youth.

Enroll/Enrollment—attending school and participating fully in school activities.

Immediate—without delay.

Parent—a person having legal or physical custody of a child or youth.

School of Origin—the school the child or youth attended when permanently housed, or the school in which the child or youth was last enrolled.

Liaison—staff person designated by our LEA and each LEA in the state as the person responsible for carrying out the duties assigned to the liaison by the McKinney-Vento Act.

Services

Children and youth in transition shall be provided services comparable to services offered to other students in the school setting, including:

- * Transportation

- * Title I

- * Educational services for which the student meets eligibility criteria, including special education and related services and programs for English language learners;

- * Vocational and technical education programs

- * Gifted and talented programs

- * School nutrition programs; and

- * Before and after school programs.