



GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

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An Overview for Parents, Guardians,
Students, and Caregivers
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Are you currently...

- Living in a shelter?
- Living in a motel?
- Living doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship?



The McKinney Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act

The McKinney Vento act is a federal law to ensure school stability for children and youth in transition. Eligible children and youth are those lacking a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. If you or your family are eligible, you may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal **McKinney Vento Act**.

Every school district is required by law to have a *McKinney Vento liaison*.

If you know your school district, please contact them directly and ask to speak to the McKinney Vento homeless liaison.



Eligible Students' Rights

Once a student's eligibility for McKinney Vento services is determined, they may be able to receive the following

- Immediate enrollment, even if lacking documents normally required such as birth certificates
- Enrollment in the local school district of residence or in the school of origin (the school last attended when permanently housed or last enrolled in)
- Transportation services to and from school
- Free breakfast and lunch program
- Supplemental services deemed necessary to ensure school stability.

"What about my preschooler?"

Public preschools are now included as a school of origin, however your McKinney Vento liaison may discuss with you what's in your child's best interest.

OR

"What if I'm a teen on my own?"

Unaccompanied youth, not in the physical custody of a parent or legal guardian may be eligible for McKinney Vento rights and services. To find out if you qualify, contact your district liaison.

RESOURCES



Call 2-1-1 for community referrals Available 24 hours a day www.centralmichigan211.org



Coordinated Entry Crisis Help Line Call 810-544-4357 to connect you to a shelter



HARA– 810-600-4524 for any additional homeless resources and needs

Call 1-810-591-KIDS



Free Preschool opportunities for children ages Birth to 5 years old. Including preschoolers with disabilities and cognitive delays



REACH and Traverse Place

24 hour / 7 days a week refuge for children, teens and families in crisis. Human services including shelter, safety, and counseling to immediately help those in need.

(810) 233-8700



Genesee Intermediate School District Center for Countywide Programs McKinney Vento Grant Coordinator for Genesee and Lapeer Counties (810) 591-5603



National Center for Homeless Education

Technical assistance and information center for the federal Education for Homeless Children and Youth (EHCY) program nche.ed.gov

