

Is your residence or housing uncertain?

Do you lack a permanent physical address?

Do you live at a temporary address?

You Can Still Enroll in School!



The Federal McKinney-Vento Act and Texas State Law guarantee that you can enroll in school if you live:

in a shelter (family shelter, domestic violence shelter, youth shelter, or transitional living program);

in a motel, hotel, or weekly-rate housing;

in a house or an apartment with more than one family because of economic hardship or loss;

in an abandoned building or a car, at a campground, or on the street;

in temporary foster care or with an adult who is not your parent or legal guardian;

in substandard housing (no electricity, no water, and/or no heat); or

with friends or family because you are a runaway or unaccompanied youth.

If you live in one of these 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.

You may also:

continue to attend the school in which you were last enrolled, even if you have moved away from that school's attendance zone or district;

receive transportation from your current residence back to your school of origin;

qualify automatically for Child Nutrition Programs (Free and Reduced-Price Lunch and other district food programs);

participate fully in all school activities and programs for which you are eligible; and

contact the district liaison to resolve any disputes that arise during the enrollment process.

If you have questions about enrolling in school or need assistance with enrolling in school, contact:

Your Local School District Liaison:

800.446.3142



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