Supporting Students in Temporary Housing



McKinney-Vento Training Initiative 2024-2025

Presented By: The New York State Technical & Educational Assistance Center (NYS-TEACHS) & The New York State Education Department



Purple Group October 25, 2024 10:00am-11:15am





Meeting Format



Today's session will be in a meeting format.



Please mute yourself until called on.



We invite you to turn your camera on!



Use the chat to communicate your ideas with others.







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Who is in the Room?

Are you a...

- School District McKinney-Vento Liaison
- BOCES Superintendent
- BOCES McKinney-Vento Liaison
- Other School/District Staff







NEW McKinney-Vento Initiative

Goals:

- Provide technical assistance to BOCES to support students and families from component districts experiencing temporary housing.
- Offer opportunities to connect with key BOCES staff to support the sharing of ideas and building knowledge around students in transitional housing.





Statewide BOCES Meetings

Audience: BOCES District Superintendents, McKinney-Vento liaisons, related staff

Structure: Large group meetings, twice a school year

Purpose:

- Share McKinney-Vento resources
- Provide information on Regional trainings
- Facilitate connections among BOCES McKinney-Vento liaisons





Targeted Regional BOCES Meetings

Audience: BOCES McKinney-Vento liaisons or related staff and McKinney-Vento liaisons from component LEAs

Structure: Regional meetings, three (3) times in a school year. Breakout room discussions facilitated by BOCES liaison.

Purpose:

- Share McKinney-Vento resources.
- Facilitate connections among McKinney-Vento liaisons in each region.
- Provide opportunities for discussions focused on identification, barriers to enrollment, and the unique needs of students in temporary housing in that region.





Upcoming Sessions: Round 2 & 3

Regional Training Sessions – Western Region/Purple Group

January 10th, 10–11am

April 4th, 10–11am







Regional BOCES Meeting Structure

Content Presentation – 20 minutes

Breakout Rooms (by BOCES) – 25 minutes

District Sharing: Name, School District, Years of Experiences as a M-V district liaison. What is a challenge you face supporting students in temporary housing?

Group Share Out: 5 minutes

Questions & Answers – 10 minutes





Questions & Answers: New Initiative and Process







LEA McKinney-Vento Requirements

The McKinney-Vento Act requires every LEA, including BOCES and charter schools to **designate a local liaison** to assist families and district staff with the identification and enrollment of students experiencing temporary housing.



NCHE Brief: Local Homeless Education Liaisons: Understanding Their Role

NCHE Brief: Local Homeless Education Liaisons: Important Information for New Local liaisons





McKinney-Vento Liaison Responsibilities

NYSED Memo: <u>LEA Policy on the Education of Students in Temporary Housing</u>

All local educational agencies (LEAs), which include school districts, charter schools, and BOCES, must review and revise policies to improve the identification, enrollment, attendance, and success in schools of students in temporary housing.

Please refer to: <u>NYSED Sample Local Educational Agency</u> ("LEA") <u>Policy on the Education of Students in Temporary Housing</u>. This sample policy outlines the duties of the McKinney-Vento Liaison.





McKinney-Vento Liaison Responsibilities

- 1. Identification
- 2. Enrollment
- 3. Referrals for Early Childhood
- 4. Referrals for Health, Housing, & Other Needed Services
- 5. Parent Involvement
- 6. Posting Public Notice
- 7. Dispute Resolution
- 8. Transportation
- 9. Training for Colleagues
- 10. Meeting the Needs of Unaccompanied Youth



Children and youth experiencing homelessness are enrolled is and have a full and equal opportunity to succeed in, schools within the district.

Referrals for Early Childhood:

Children, youth, and families experiencing homelessness have access to and receive educational services for which they are elegible, including Early Head Start and Head Start programs, early intervention services under Part C of the Individual with Disabilities Education Act, and other preschool programs administered by the school district.

Referrals for Health, Housing and

Other Services:

Children, youth, and families experiencing homelessness receive referrals to health care, dental, mental health, substance abuse, housing, and other appropriate services.

Parent Involvement:

Parents or guardians of students experiencing homelessness are informed of the educational and related opportunities available to their children, and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children.



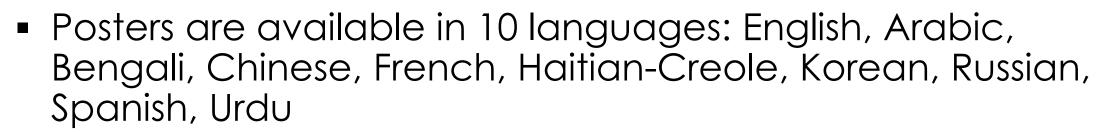




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- TEACHS Helpline 1-800-388-2014
- TEACHS Website <u>www.nysteachs.org</u>
- Tales from the Field
- Outreach Materials







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Breakout Room: District Sharing

30 minutes

Introductions:

- Name
- School District
- Years of Experiences as a M-V district liaison
- What is a challenge supporting students in temporary housing?





Breakout Rooms

- Room 1 Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming Counties and BOCES
- Room 2 Erie County and BOCES (Erie 1)
- Room 3 Erie-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Counties and BOCES (Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus)
- Room 4 Genesee-Livingston-Steuben-Wyoming Counties and BOCES (Genesee Valley BOCES)
- Room 5 Monroe County and BOCES (Monroe 1)
- Room 6 Monroe-Orleans Counties and BOCES (Monroe 2)
- Room 7 Ontario-Seneca-Yates-Cayuga-Wayne Counties and BOCES (Wayne-Finger Lakes)
- Room 8 Orleans-Niagara Counties and BOCES
- Room 9 Schuyler-Steuben-Chemung-Tioga-Allegany Counties and BOCES (Greater Southern Tier)



Breakout Room Highlights







NYSED Announcements

NYSED speaker: Jane Fronheiser, State Homeless Coordinator Office of ESSA-Funded Programs

McKinney-Vento Grant Funds

New Request for Proposal (RFP) 2025-2028 Coming Soon- Spring 2025





Questions & Answers





