

McKinney-Vento Voice

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FAQ's

<u>Question</u>: What factors should be considered for keeping the children at their school of origin to the extent feasible?

Answer: When choosing the school a child experiencing homelessness should attend, the choice must be made "according to the child's or youth's best interest". Changing schools significantly impedes students' academic and social progress. In determining the child's best interest, the school district "to the extent feasible, keep a homeless child or youth in the school of origin". 42 U.S.C. 11432(g)(3)(B). School of origin is the last school the child attended before becoming homeless or the school in which the student was last

enrolled.

Sign Up for Training!!

The MVP program will be offering several important trainings for any school based staff, social workers, registrars and high school coordinators. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend these trainings NEXT Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at the ELC.

MVP 101: Under the Microscope Location: 8A from 8:30am-11:30am

This session is designed for coordinators and registrars. Facilitators will provide basic information on McKinney-Vento Law and program services. Additionally, participants will use case scenarios to determine eligibility. A session on students in out of home placements (foster care) will be included. Click HERE to register!!

High School Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Location: 8A from 12:30pm-2:30pm

Participants will be provided with information on the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act and how it applies to youth experiencing homelessness that are not in the presence of a parent or guardian. High school homeless education coordinators, registrars and counselors are encouraged to attend. Click <a href="https://example.com/heres/here

Sign up for these important sessions here!





As the MVP Coordinator at your school, please share this newsletter information with your staff. Thank you!

If you have any questions, please contact the MVP program

407-317-3485 Homeless.ocps.net

The National Center for Homeless Education (NCHE) offers FREE webinars on a variety of topics.

McKinney Vento 101 01/14/14 from 2:00 - 3:30

Paving the Way to College for Students Experiencing Homelessness 01/16/14 from 2:00 - 3:30

<u>Determining Eligibility for</u> <u>McKinney-Vento Program</u> 01/21/14 from 2:00 - 3:15

Supporting the Education of Homeless Children & Youth 01/29/14 from 2:00 - 3:30

Please know these sessions are offered ONLINE during the dates / times posted.
Click HERE to register.

Homeless Student Count for 12/19/13: 5.101