



# McKinney-Vento Voice

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## NCHE Training

The National Center for Homeless Education (NCHE) provides live webinar and self-paced training regarding homeless education issues. Click [here](#) for the May dates!

## Did you know?

**Question:** Does the McKinney-Vento Act contain procedures for resolving disputes?

**Answer:** Yes, The Act requires each state to establish its own procedures to resolve disputes promptly.

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**Question:** If a school district does not follow the law, is there a penalty?

**Answer:** Yes. States are required to ensure that school districts comply with the McKinney-Vento Act. States can sanction noncompliant school districts by withholding funds. Additionally, families can sue school districts in federal or state court.

## End of Year Letter for MVP Students

Please find the 2014-2015 End of Year letter attached to this email. This letter is to be disbursed to all homeless students identified at your school site. It provides importation information regarding the upcoming school year and qualification for continued MVP services, if eligible.

**Please remember that incoming kindergarten students and rising 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders do not have a school of origin when transitioning into elementary, middle, or high school.**

Please print the letter and distribute to all identified students prior to June 3, 2015. If you have any case specific questions, please contact your District MVP liaison directly.

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The National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth (NAEHCY) provides college scholarship assistance to students who have experienced homelessness.

**Applications must be received by June 19, 2015.**

If you would like more information about the LeTendre Scholarship fund, please visit the scholarship page on the NAEHCY website [here](#). The application can be downloaded [here](#).

### SMS Codes

As the end of the year approaches, do not remove homeless codes from SMS. All homeless codes are automatically eliminated in the end of year processing. To run a list prior to the data purge, please see attached instructions.

*If you have any SRQ's that have not been previously submitted, please fax them to 407-317-3332 and ensure all identified students are coded in SMS.*



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](http://Homeless.ocps.net)

## Thank You Teachers



*The MVP office is asking for responses from all schools regarding school based services. Please connect with the link in the email and click "add item" to select services for your school.*

**Homeless Student Count for 04/29/15: 6,672**