

Orange County Public Schools

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FAQ's

Question:

Can children or youth be considered homeless if their parents have sent them to live with friends because the parents are too poor to provide a stable home?

Answer:

Yes and Yes. Whether a child meets the definition of homeless rests upon the child's living situation. A child in this situation is eligible for McKinney-Vento protections. The child is sharing the housing of others due to the loss of housing, economic hardship or a similar reason. 42 U.S.C. 11432(g)(3)(F), 11434A(2).

*National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty

ATTENTION: HIGH SCHOOL COORDINATORS AND REGISTRARS

McKinney-Vento Voice

Homeless Education Technical Assistance Publication

The Attendance Incentive Program for 11th and 12th grade Homeless Unaccompanied Youth has begun for the 2013-2014 school year. You will receive flyers through the courier to provide to your students. Please remind the students with monthly perfect attendance to call Cindy Sawyer so they can receive their \$15 gift card!





COOL FIT launched on October 1st! As we are preparing to serve over 3000 students who were identified as MVP, please keep the following dates in mind for follow up data element reporting:

October 14 – Progress Check 2 – Number of eligible COOL FIT students, number of vouchers disbursed, and number vouchers received back from students at the school site.

November 5 – All hard copy vouchers, surveys and spreadsheets delivered to your learning community office. Please email your Order Spreadsheet (Excel version) to: <u>helphomeless@ocps.net</u>

The National Center for Homeless Education offers FREE webinars on a variety of topics:

McKinney-Vento 101 Tuesday, October 22, 2:00pm – 3:30pm Please visit the <u>website</u> to register for a session.



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



Thank you...

The MVP staff would like to thank all attendees for your participation in the McKinney-Vento 101 training that was held in September. It was nice to personally meet school based coordinators and match faces with voices. We look forward to a collaborative school year!

Homeless Student Count for 09/27/13: 3,761