

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

McKinney-Vento Eligibility and Best Interest Determination

Office of School Support and Instruction (OSSI)
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
International Admissions and Enrollment, McKinney-Vento Unit
4910 Macon Road, Rockville, Maryland 20852

MCPS REGULATION

MCPS Regulation JEA-RD, [Enrollment of Homeless Student](#) ensures that your child/children receive the best possible education. The information from this form will help MCPS determine if your student(s) are eligible to receive benefits under the federal [McKinney-Vento Act](#), a law that helps students who are temporarily displaced from their homes. Determinations may be disputed following the process delineated in the Dispute Protocol.

STUDENT INFORMATION List ALL children in the family, including non school-aged children.

Student Name _____ Student ID# _____

Birthdate ___/___/___ Current Grade _____

Last School Attended _____ Last Date Attended ___/___/___

Last Permanent Address _____

Sibling Names (MCPS ID, if applicable)

_____ Birthdate ___/___/___

_____ Birthdate ___/___/___

_____ Birthdate ___/___/___

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_____ Birthdate ___/___/___

PARENT/GUARDIAN/CAREGIVER CONTACT INFORMATION

(Completed by the parent/guardian, PPW, administrator, or McKinney-Vento Unit Member)

Caregiver Name _____ Relationship to Student _____

Temporary Nighttime Address _____ Length of time at the Temporary Address _____

Primary Language Spoken _____ Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

HOUSING INFORMATION

McKinney-Vento eligible students lack a fixed, regular, and/or adequate nighttime residence, whether or not the temporary housing is located in Montgomery County, and who are otherwise eligible for educational services from MCPS.

The student lacks a fixed, regular, and/or adequate nighttime residence. Yes No

Where is the student(s) living at this time? Shelter/Transitional Housing Doubled-Up Unsheltered Motel/Hotel

What is the reason for the temporary address?

<input type="checkbox"/> Abandonment	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Disaster	<input type="checkbox"/> Death of Parent
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence	<input type="checkbox"/> Eviction	<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitalization
<input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate Housing	<input type="checkbox"/> Incarceration	<input type="checkbox"/> Migratory Worker
<input type="checkbox"/> Runaway	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

The student is:

- in the physical custody of a parent or legal guardian.
- NOT in the physical custody of a parent or legal guardian

CHECKLIST FOR SCHOOL PLACEMENT DECISION MAKING (Completed by PPW or McKinney-Vento Unit Member)

Academic performance:	<input type="checkbox"/> School of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> School serving the nighttime residence
Continuity of instruction:	<input type="checkbox"/> School of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> School serving the nighttime residence
Length of anticipated stay in transitional nighttime residence:	<input type="checkbox"/> School of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> School serving the nighttime residence
Social/Emotional Considerations:	<input type="checkbox"/> School of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> School serving the nighttime residence
Safety of the student:	<input type="checkbox"/> School of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> School serving the nighttime residence
Transportation considerations:	<input type="checkbox"/> School of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> School serving the nighttime residence
Unique educational needs or academic and extracurricular interests:	<input type="checkbox"/> School of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> School serving the nighttime residence
Other considerations:	<input type="checkbox"/> School of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> School serving the nighttime residence
Add additional notes, as necessary:		

THE BEST INTEREST DETERMINATION

Caregiver Requested School _____ MCPS Recommended School _____

The school has determined it is in the student's best interest to attend _____
for the _____ school year.

Transportation Requested: Yes No

NOTICE OF MCKINNEY-VENTO ACT RIGHTS

- The child must be immediately enrolled in school even if you lack a permanent address.
- The child's enrollment may NOT be delayed due to lack of proof of residency or other documents.
- The child may have continued enrollment in the school he/she attended before becoming homeless or in the homeschool associated with the temporary address.
- The child can attend classes while the new school secures previous school records.
- If an enrollment dispute is made, the child can continue to attend classes while the dispute is being resolved.
- The parent/caregiver can request assistance with transportation to the school of origin.
- The child can participate in school programs with children who are not homeless.
- The child is eligible to receive free school meals.

SIGNATURES

The undersigned certifies that the information provided is accurate and acknowledges receipt of McKinney-Vento Rights. I understand that this placement is for one school year and that the student's homeless status will be reviewed annually, at least two weeks prior to the start of each school year.

Printed name of parent/guardian/youth _____

Signature of parent/guardian/youth _____ Date ____/____/____

Printed name of MCPS staff person _____

Signature of MCPS staff person _____ Date ____/____/____