Homeless Student Information



Homeless Indicator

Check this box to indicate the student is homeless. The homeless Indicator box must remain checked for the remainder of the school year, even if the child attains permanent housing. Furthermore, **you must select** the Primary Nighttime Residence for each student who is indicated as homeless; otherwise your data are incomplete for federal reports.

Homeless students are defined as children/youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, and includes:

- (1) students who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement;
- (2) students who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings (within the meaning of section 103(a)(2)(C));
- (3) students who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and
- (4) migratory students who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because they are living in circumstances described in (1) through (3) above.

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Drop-Down selections for Served by McKinney-Vento:

- (1) the default of "blank" means No
- (2) Y means Yes.

This selection is no longer needed for reporting to the federal agency; however, it will remain available for districts/schools that may want to collect this information internally. Select Yes for students who are receiving services under the McKinney-Vento Program; otherwise, the field remains blank (default).

Primary Nighttime Residence

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The primary nighttime residence should be the student's nighttime residence at the time of enrollment or when he or she was first identified as homeless. Select the primary nighttime residence for the student from permitted values below:

- S Shelters, transitional housing, awaiting foster care
- D Doubled–up means sharing the housing of other persons due to economic hardship, loss of housing or other reasons (such as domestic violence).
- U Unsheltered includes cars, parks, campgrounds, temporary trailers including FEMA trailers, or abandoned buildings
- ► H Hotels/motels

Unaccompa nied Youth

Select Yes from the drop-down list; otherwise, the field remains blank (default).

This selection is no longer needed for reporting to the federal agency; A homeless unaccompanied youth is a youth who is not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian and who fits the McKinney-Vento definition of homeless.

There is no age range specified for an unaccompanied youth in the law. The upper age range is determined by what a state defines as school aged, unless the child is in special education in which case, the upper age range is twenty-one (21) years of age. There is no lower age range. Therefore, as an example, a young child not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian, though living with a caregiver, and is living in a situation that is not fixed, regular, and adequate, would be identified as a homeless unaccompanied youth.