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McKinney Vento Homeless Updates October 25, 2019 LASAFAP Conference


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Objectives for the session:

- Provide updates on McKinney Vento Program
- Share 19-20 Professional Development Opportunities for Homeless Liaisons and Ancillary Staff
- Inform LEAs of upcoming Request For Applications (RFA)



History

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stewart B. McKinney• Republican Representative• Connecticut	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bruce Vento• Democratic Representative• Minnesota
 A black and white photograph of Stewart B. McKinney, a man with glasses and a mustache, wearing a suit and tie, speaking at a microphone. A "LIFE" logo is visible in the bottom left corner.	 A color portrait of Bruce Vento, a man with dark hair, wearing a suit and tie, smiling. An American flag is visible in the background.

- Stewart B. McKinney Act, 1987
- President Ronald Reagan signed the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act into law on July 22, 1987.
- 2001, reauthorization and name changed to McKinney-Vento Act
- Provides states with funding to support local grants and statewide initiatives
- Requires educational *access, attendance*, and *success* for homeless children and youth



Definition of Homeless



Section 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Act¹⁰ defines “homeless children and youths” as **individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence**. The term includes—

- ☐ Children and youths who are:
 - **sharing the housing** of other persons **due to loss of housing, economic hardship**, or a similar reason (sometimes referred to as “doubled-up”);
 - **living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds** due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
 - **living in emergency or transitional shelters**; or
 - **abandoned in hospitals**;
- ☐ Children and youths 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**;
- ☐ Children and youths who are **living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings**; and
- ☐ **Migratory children** who qualify as homeless because they are living in circumstances described above.

Language Etiquette

- People first
- Homelessness is a temporary condition not a trait
- Student experiencing homelessness
- Family in transition
- McKinney-Vento students

Louisiana 2018-2019 Homeless Statistics

Reporting and
verifying data is
important

SIS- Student Information System
HTS- Homeless Tracking System
(underage siblings)

Get to know your SIS Data
Manager

ESSA tracking Homeless
Student Performance

EOY Counts	Homeless Student count	Shelter	Doubled up	Unsheltered	Hotel/ Motel
2018- 2019	17,862	1437	15,295	390	740

Nationally: Unaccompanied Youth and African American Males numbers are up

Homeless Subgroup Academic Performance

Spring 2019 LEAP Results	ELA Total % Mastery	ELA Homeless % Mastery	Math Total % Mastery	Math Homeless % Mastery	Social Studies Total % Mastery	Social Studies Homeless % Mastery
3 rd	40%	29%	36%	25%	17%	9%
4 th	36%	21%	38%	22%	20%	9%
5 th	36%	22%	30%	16%	20%	12%
6 th	32%	17%	27%	14%	16%	9%
7 th	33%	19%	24%	11%	20%	10%
8 th	37%	23%	26%	13%	28%	18%
% of students @ Mastery on EOC	English I	English II	Algebra I	Geometry	U.S. History	Biology
	Total=36%	Total=34%	Total=34%	Total=34%	Total=20%	Total=19% Good
	Homeless=22%	Homeless=24%	Homeless=17%	Homeless=31%	Homeless=10%	Homeless=22% Good
2017-2018 Cohort GRAD RATE By subgroup			Overall Cohort Grad Rate	81.4%	Homeless Grad Rate	60.2%

Professional Development

Building Homeless Liaison Capacity Kickstand

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New requirements in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) require public school districts to carefully select and ensure capacity of the staff they designate to serve as their McKinney-Vento (MV) Homeless Education Liaisons.*

This course and the lessons were designed to provide Liaisons with the information and resources to better understand the responsibilities of districts to identify and serve children, youth and families experiencing homelessness, as well as to be confident and capable of performing all ten duties required of Liaisons in the ESSA MV Act.

States currently enrolled: LA, ME, VA, MI, IN, KY, TN, NM, MO, HI, WY



Program	Program Description	Course Offerings	Details
McKinney-Vento Liaison Course Catalog	Designed to provide ESSA mandated competency-based professional development and credentialing for school personnel responsible for identifying and serving homeless populations in public school districts.	Level 1	The Level 1 McKinney-Vento Liaison Credentialing Course provides comprehensive and ESSA mandated training for anyone fulfilling the role of homeless liaison for their school or district. Level 1 course topics include identification, enrollment, dispute resolution, transportation, and more.
		Level 2	The Level 2 McKinney-Vento Liaison Credentialing Course provides a deeper understanding of compliance for ESSA requirements and helps Liaisons move from a basic understanding of the law to meaningful practice in helping move students toward stability and success.
McKinney-Vento Essential Staff Course Catalog	Designed to satisfy the new requirements placed on district liaisons in training all essential staff across the district.	General Overview	An overview of McKinney Vento that all Essential Staff will view prior to taking their career-specific course.
		Administration ★	Principals, Superintendents, School Leaders, School Boards
		Athletics	Coaches, Assistants, P.E. Teachers
		Counselors ★	School Counselors, Social Workers, and School Psychologist
		Early Childhood	Child Care and Preschool Directors, Classroom
		Food Service	Directors and Line Staff
		Enrollment ★	School Secretaries, Pupil Accounting, and Registrars
		Media Centers and Librarians	School Librarians, Media Specialists, Directors
		Special Education	Directors, Teachers, Paraprofessionals
		Title I	Coordinators, State & Federal Program Supervisors, Title I staff
		Transportation ★	Directors, Coordinators, and Drivers

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- ☐ Main Objective- build capacity
- ☐ 1 course for ancillary staff/ time will vary
- ☐ Course will open Friday, November 15th
- ☐ Overall deadline to complete courses is
- ☐ Mid term (February 28th)
 - Ancillary Staff- completed
 - Liaisons- complete 6 lesson
- ☐ Complete all by May 31st

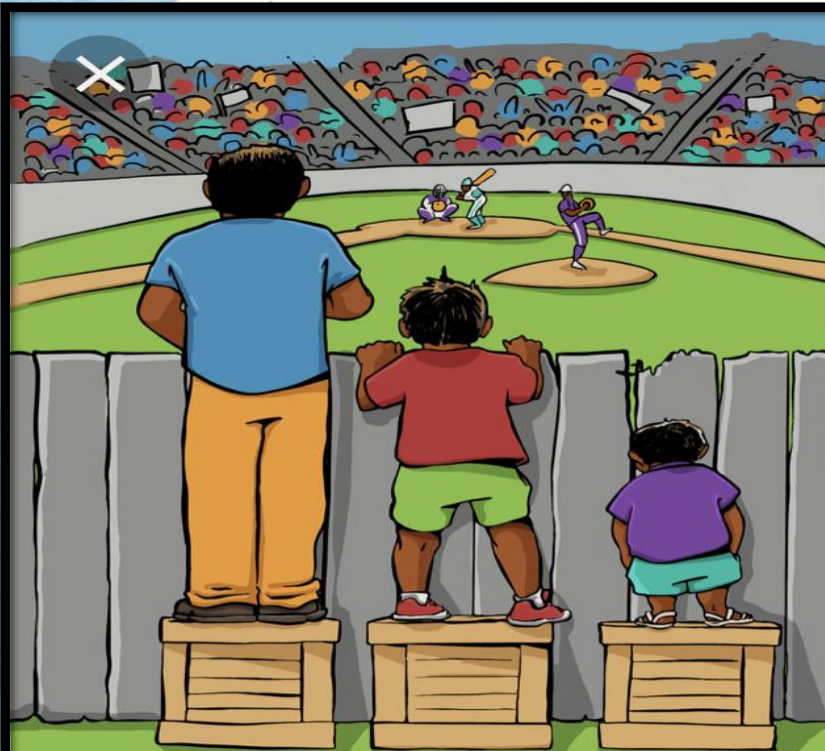
-Each LEA will receive 10 slots per position.

-Provide me with names, email addresses & positions of Ancillary Staff to enroll in Kickstand by November 1st.



Allowable Activities

	Tutoring, supplemental instruction		Training to parents and guardians of HCY about rights and resources available
	Expedited evaluations of strengths and needs of HCY (gifted & talented, disabilities, EL services)		Development of coordination between schools and agencies.
	Professional development		Specialized instructional support services (including violence prevention, counseling)
	Referral services (medical, dental, and other health services)		Adaptation of space and purchase of supplies for any NONSCHOOL facilities.
	Defray excess cost of transportation		School supplies, including supplies distributed at shelters, and uniforms.
	Appropriate early childhood programs, not provided through federal, state or local funding for preschool aged homeless children		Before and after school tutoring, mentoring and summer programs
	Attract, engage and retain HCY not enrolled in school or in public school programs.		The payment of fees and cost associated w/tracking, obtaining, and transferring records necessary to enroll HCY.



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Request For Applications

McKinney Vento Program 2020-2023 Cohort

Release Date: December 9, 2019

Submission Date: January 31, 2020

Recipients Informed: Late March/ Early April

Details:

- 3 Parts (introduction, program design, proposed budget)
- Complete Needs Assessment (committee)
- Priorities to Address (summer program and mental health counseling)
- Diversifying recipients

Next Steps

Follow up sessions on:

- Work on verifying Oct 1 count by October 25th.
- Provide me with names, email addresses & positions of Ancillary Staff to enroll in Kickstand by November 1st.
- Identify your committee members to complete needs assessment for RFA.

Question and Answers

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