



## The Federal McKinney-Vento Act and Texas State Law guarantee that you can enroll in school if you live:

in a shelter (family shelter, domestic violence shelter, youth shelter, or transitional living program);

in a motel, hotel, or weekly-rate housing;

in a house or an apartment with more than one family because of economic hardship or loss;

in an abandoned building or a car, at a campground, or on the street;

in temporary foster care or with an adult who is not your parent or legal guardian;

in substandard housing (no electricity, no water, and/or no heat); or

with friends or family because you are a runaway or unaccompanied youth.

## If you live in one of these situations, you do not need to provide:

proof of residency;

immunization records or a TB skin test result;

birth certificate;

school records; or

legal guardianship papers

**to enroll in school.**



## You may also:

continue to attend the school in which you were last enrolled, even if you have moved away from that school's attendance zone or district;

receive transportation from your current residence back to your school of origin;

qualify automatically for Child Nutrition Programs (Free and Reduced-Price Lunch and other district food programs);

participate fully in all school activities and programs for which you are eligible; and

contact the district liaison to resolve any disputes that arise during the enrollment process.

**Do you lack a permanent physical address?**

## Helpful questions you can ask at your school to help you receive all the services you need:

What transportation is available for me to stay in the same school?

If I have to change schools, can someone help me transfer records quickly?

Are any tutoring services available for me?

If I need special education services, how long is the wait for testing?

Are there special classes to benefit a talent I have?

Are there sports, music, or other activities I can be a part of?

How can I receive free meals at school?

Are school supplies available?

Will I be able to go on class field trips if I am unable to pay?

How can I get a required school uniform if I cannot afford one?