

In order to be compliant with the McKinney-Vento Act, the following information needs to be included in your December newsletter verbatim.

Through the McKinney-Vento Act of 1987, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, federal funds are available to support programs to meet the needs of homeless children and youth. The state defines homeless as:

- Doubled up - students sharing housing due to loss of housing or economic hardship
- Sheltered - students living in emergency, domestic violence or transitional shelter
- Unsheltered - students living in campgrounds, cars, public places, substandard housing, etc. due to lack of housing
- Hotels / Motels - students living in hotels / motels for lack of housing

If you feel your child falls in any of these categories, please contact your child's school office for a list of benefits and a statement of rights.

The Statement of Rights can also be found on the North Lawrence Community Schools website at <http://www.nlcs.k12.in.us>.

The McKinney-Vento Act liaison for North Lawrence Community Schools is Ron Snapp. He can be reached at 812-279-3521 if you have additional questions.

RESIDENCY INFORMATION FORM

This questionnaire is in compliance with the McKinney-Vento Act, U.S.C. 42 § 11432(a). Your answers will help the administrator determine residency documents necessary for enrollment of your student(s).

Student _____ Parent/Guardian _____
School _____ Phone/Pager _____
Age _____ Grade _____ D.O.B. _____
Address _____ City _____
Zip Code _____ Is this address Temporary or Permanent?

Please choose which of the following situations the student currently resides in (you can choose more than one):

- _____ House or apartment with parent or guardian
- _____ Motel, car, or campsite
- _____ With friends or family members (other than parent/guardian)
- _____ Shelter or other temporary housing

If you are living in shared housing, please check all of the following reasons that apply:

- _____ Economic situation
- _____ Temporarily waiting for house or apartment
- _____ Provide care for a family member
- _____ Living with boyfriend/girlfriend
- _____ To enable child to attend NLCS Schools
- _____ Loss of employment
- _____ Parent/Guardian is deployed
- _____ Other (Please explain)

Are you a student under the age of 18 and living without your parents or guardians? Yes No

Residency and Educational Rights

Students who are in temporary, inadequate, and homeless living situations have the following rights:

- 1) Immediate enrollment in the school they last attended or the school in whose attendance area they are currently staying even if they do not have all of the documents normally required at the time of enrollment;
- 2) Access to free meals and textbooks, Title I and other educational programs, and other comparable services including transportation;
- 3) To attend the same classes and activities that students in other living situations also participate in without fear of being separated or treated differently due to their housing situations.

Any questions about these rights can be directed to the local McKinney-Vento Liaison (Mr. Ron Snapp) at (812) 279-3521 or the State Coordinator at (800) 833-2199.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received and understand the above rights.

Signature of Parent/Guardian/Unattached Youth **Date**

Signature of McKinney-Vento Liaison **Date**

The information contained in this document is strictly confidential and will be protected as such.