



McKinney-Vento Homelessness Assistance Act Policy

Purpose: To declare Voyager's intent to follow the laws set forth in the McKinney-Vento Homelessness Assistance Act.

The McKinney-Vento Homelessness Act states as follows:

(1) Each State educational agency shall ensure that each child of a homeless individual and each homeless youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including a public pre-school education, as provided to other children and youths. (2) In any State that has a compulsory residency requirement as a component of the State's compulsory School attendance laws or other laws, regulations, practices, or policies that may act as a barrier to the enrollment, attendance, or success in School of homeless children and youths, the State will review and undertake steps to revise such laws, regulations, practices, or policies to ensure that homeless children and youths are afforded the same free, appropriate public education as provided to other children and youths. (3) Homelessness alone is not sufficient reason to separate students from the mainstream School environment. (4) Homeless children and youths should have access to the education and other services that such children and youths need to ensure that such children and youths have an opportunity to meet the same challenging State student academic achievement standards to which all students are held.

Voyager shall have a designated McKinney-Vento Coordinator that coordinates services for students under the McKinney-Vento Homelessness Assistance Act and reports all data as required to NC Department of Public Instruction. The coordinator will be identified by the Director and shall follow all federally mandated protocols for identifying and serving homeless students identified by the McKinney-Vento Homelessness Assistance Act.