

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



## If your family lives in any of the following situations:

- In a shelter
- In a car, park, abandoned building, bus, or train station
- Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

Your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

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## Admission of Homeless Children and Youth

This federal law ensures that the educational needs of homeless children and youth are met through immediate enrollment, comparable services, and supplemental services. All homeless children and youth must have equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including public preschool education, as provided to other children and youths and afforded the opportunity to meet the same challenging state student academic achievement standards to which all students are held.

Authority: McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 11431 et seq. Alabama Administrative Code 290-3-1-.02(7)(c) through 290-3-1-.02(7)(i)(iv)

Any questions regarding homelessness can be directed to the **McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Liaison** Leslie Horner. She can be reached:

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