



COLORADO
Department of Education

McKinney-Vento- August 2022

Welcome Back!

Back-to-School season is here and with it, opportunities for outreach, identification, and connection to services for students experiencing homelessness. Please join CDE and McKinney-Vento Liaisons from across the state for a **Back-to-School Webinar, Thursday, August 11th from 2:30 -4pm**. Register [here](#).

The webinar will include:

- Liaison voices on recommended practices in identification and connection to services for homeless children and youth
- Review of tools and resources to support efforts in identification and immediate enrollment
- Details regarding upcoming trainings to support further learning and sharing of recommended practices
- Time to discuss with peers and get your questions answered

Are you new to your role as McKinney-Vento District Liaison?

If you are new to your role as the legal McKinney-Vento District Liaison at your district, please update the contact information for your district using the following [link](#) and reach out to State Coordinator, Paula Gumina (Gumina_p@cde.state.co.us) to receive support in your new role.

A **New Liaison Training** will be held virtually on **Thursday, September 15th at 2:30pm**.

The webinar will include: an introduction to McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; a review of roles and responsibilities of the district liaison and tools and resources to support you in your new role. Please [register](#) or share the following link with colleagues who are new to the liaison role at your district:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8446121269>

Upcoming NCHE Webinars

If your schedule allows, please consider attending a no-cost webinar on the basics of McKinney-Vento offered through the National Center for Homeless Education. NCHE repeats these webinars on a monthly basis. Please see the full list on their website:

<https://nche.ed.gov/group-training/>

PAVING THE WAY TO COLLEGE FOR STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

Tuesday, August 18, 2022 | 2:00PM-3:00PM ET

Register: https://uncg.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_j6fpxXP_SUGrqADiGCLKZw

Description: In this interactive NCHE webinar, presenters will review important information about supports available to youth experiencing homelessness as they seek to attend college. Attendees can hope to gain a better understanding of:

- Fee waiver options for college entrance exams and college application fees
- The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) process for students



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experiencing homelessness with their family/parent/guardian, and students experiencing homelessness on their own (unaccompanied homeless youth)

- Options for seeking financial assistance beyond federal financial aid
- Options for undocumented youth wishing to attend college

UNDERSTANDING DOUBLED UP

Tuesday, August 30, 2022 | 2:00PM-2:45PM ET

Register: https://uncg.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yi_N_pa6QJ-UxuvyQA0STA

Description: In this 45-minute NCHE webinar, presenters explore the issue of doubling-up. Doubled-up is the informal wording used to describe a concept included in the McKinney-Vento Act's definition of homeless. It refers to shared living arrangements, some of which may be considered homeless, while others may not be, depending on various factors. In this session, attendees will explore some of these factors in greater detail.

MCKINNEY-VENTO SCHOOL SELECTION RIGHTS

Wednesday, September 7, 2022 | 2:00PM-3:00PM ET

Register: https://uncg.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_H66GNn1cRYuZT3vSKIkVtA

Description: In this interactive NCHE webinar, presenters will review important changes related to school selection for homeless children and youth under the McKinney-Vento Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

Presenters will cover:

- McKinney-Vento basics and context
- The McKinney-Vento Act's definition of school of origin
- McKinney-Vento provisions related to determining the best interest of a student in terms of school selection (local school or school of origin)
- The provision of school-of-origin transportation to currently homeless students and formerly homeless students who have become permanently housed
- McKinney-Vento provisions related to dispute resolution, including disputes about school enrollment and selection