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## **Public Notice of Educational Rights of the Homeless**

Homeless students are defined as lacking a fixed, regular and/or adequate nighttime residence, including:

- Sharing the housing of others due to the loss of housing or economic hardship.
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations.
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters.
- Abandoned in hospitals.
- Awaiting foster care placement.
- Living in public or private places not designated for, or ordinarily used as regular sleeping accommodations for human beings.
- Living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, transportation stations or similar settings.
- Migratory children living in conditions described above.

Homeless children have the right to be enrolled in their school or origin or to attend school in the area where they are living. A child cannot be denied enrollment due to lack of immunization records. A homeless student is entitled to transportation to his school or origin if that is what his parent or guardian requests. A homeless student is entitled to all the educational services and extracurricular opportunities that would be available to any other student living in the district.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Haley Walker, Student Support at 620-635-2814.

Respectfully Yours,



Mr. Jamie Wetig, Ed.S.  
Superintendent of Schools