



## McKinney-Vento

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act is a federal law that defines the education rights of homeless children and youth and the responsibilities of the Local Education Agencies (LEA), such as the McKinney-Vento Program in Lake Wales Charter Schools.

## Services

- Uniform Assistance
- School Supplies Assistance
- Free Breakfast and Lunch
- Transportation to School of Origin
- Parent and Youth Resources
- Mental & Physical Healthcare Access

If you believe you or a student you know may qualify under the McKinney-Vento Act, contact the Lake Wales Charter Schools MVP liaison to find out what services and supports may be available.

**For more information**

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# Lake Wales Charter Schools



## McKinney-Vento Program

**Assisting Students and  
Families in Transition**

# Qualifications

- Lack of fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.
- Sharing the house of others due to loss of housing or economic hardship.
- Living in a hotel or motel due to loss of housing or economic hardship.
- Staying in a shelter; emergency or transitional.
- Sleeping in a car, campground, and or a public space. A place that is not designed for regular sleeping accommodations for human beings.
- Substandard housing; without electricity, running water, health code violations, and/or lack of cooking capabilities.
- Awaiting foster care placement.
- Unaccompanied Youth who are 16 years or older and are not in the physical custody of a legal parent or guardian.

**If a student lives in any of the above situations, they may qualify for rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.**

743.067, Florida Statutes (F.S.); Rule 6A-10.088

## Eligible students have the right to:

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
- Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
- Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
- Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is their preference and is feasible.
- Receive transportation to and from the school, if requested.
- Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to the student's need.
- Unaccompanied Youth are eligible to access free health care where offered.

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