

McKinney-Vento (MKV) Program Overview

2017 Green Bay Area Public School District

The McKinney Vento Program: Purpose is to promote academic success by removing barriers for students who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence due to economic hardship.

- Doubled up with friends/relatives due to financial reasons/economic hardship
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters
- Living in motels/hotels
- Unsheltered
- Unaccompanied youth

Main themes of McKinney Vento

School Access

School Stability

Support for academic success

1. School Access

- Voluntary survey given at enrollment allows for early identification
- Homeless or possibly homeless families (determined by the Voluntary Survey) must be enrolled immediately, even if they lack paperwork.
- Students experiencing homelessness who do not live with a parent or guardian can enroll themselves in school (Unaccompanied youth). Brown County Child Protection is notified of a minor's lack of biological parent involvement.
- Student's new to the district or returning to the district from another district must enroll at the school based on their current attendance.
 - i. If parent would like to school choice, District procedures must be followed. If student is accepted under school choice, MKV will not provide transportation
 - ii. Exceptions have been made if the returning students were in an unstable/temporary housing situation in their previous district. Contact MKV Liaison for follow up. 920-448-7326

2. School Stability

- Students experiencing homelessness can attend either their "School of Origin" or "Attendance Area School"
 - School of Origin can be their school last enrolled in when stably housed **AND/OR** their school last enrolled in under MKV status.
 - Students in transition years (*4K to KG, *5th to 6th, *8th to 9th) previously were tracked to the home attendance area schools. Now each student will have a school track of Origin that includes the elementary, middle and high school (feeder school). We may also change a school track of a student to match that of an older sibling.
 - The MKV program will provide transportation supports, when appropriate, to allow for school stability with regards to our students experiencing homelessness.
 - District Transportation Guidelines are followed for all MKV transportation
 - i. If student is living within school attendance boundaries, District transportation is followed and provided by the District
 - ii. If student is living outside of school attendance boundaries, District guidelines are followed.
 1. If student is within 2 miles and no unusual hazard exists, then student will walk to/from school.
 2. If there is a hazard, MKV will provide transportation
 - a. Elementary students – busing
 - b. Secondary students – bus pass
- b. When stable/permanent housing is obtained, please be aware that transportation supports offered will be evaluated and student has right to transportation supports to

school of origin through the end of the school year, if appropriate. Other transportation supports can be explored through United Way funding and can be requested by the building social worker.

- c. Bus conduct reports
 - i. All bus conduct reports are emailed to Elizabeth Webb, or notification is provided through First Acts
 - ii. Busing cannot be suspended or discontinued for MKV students unless approval from the MKV Program with alternate transportation plan in place.
- d. MKV non-riders
 - i. Transportation companies and/or the District Transportation Department will notify Denise Schroeder & Elizabeth Webb of non-riders
 - 1. MKV will follow up with the School Social Worker (SSW) to determine if student has moved

3. MKV Supports for Academic Success

- a. All requests for MKV students are to go through the SSW
- b. Educational Supports for MKV students
 - i. Free breakfast and lunch
 - ii. Waiver of general school fee
 - iii. Traditional School supplies
 - iv. Title I support
 - 1. Access to a support teacher for students in Non Title 1 elementary schools who demonstrate an academic need and every high school
 - v. Transportation to/from school if outside of school attendance boundary and over 2 miles
- c. Expenses outside of MKV federal regulations
 - i. Contact SSW for student needs
 - 1. They will fill out a donation request and submit to MKV Program for review
 - 2. Requests must fit below guidelines
 - a. Academic
 - i. students who receive support will improve academics
 - b. Attendance
 - i. students who receive support will have barriers to enrollment removed
 - c. Parent engagement
 - i. Parents/Guardians have opportunities to participate meaningfully in their students education
 - d. Student Participation in extra-curricular activities
 - i. students will have access to extracurricular support services when eligible
 - ii. coverage of expenses
 - 1. If items are covered by MKV, many costs will be put on the MKV school transfer request form. This has been emailed to your building secretary or bookkeeper.

4. Important information to remember

- a. The MKV Program cannot support a student until identified MKV.
- b. MKV status is confidential. MKV status is disclosed as needed to school staff.
- c. All McKinney-Vento transportation, school fee and lunch fee questions go to Elizabeth Webb (enwebb@gbaps.org/50241/448-7326) or Denise Schroeder (dmschroeder@gbaps.org/50239/448-2060)