

# **School Community Outreach Coordinator**

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a.k.a- School Social Worker

**What I Do**

# Help the Students

- ★ Provide one-on-one support for students who are having a difficult time in the classroom
- ★ Work on coping skills for students to use in the classroom- allows them to stay in class
- ★ Provide individualized social skills learning



- ★ Provide a primary level of social skills learning via second step (elementary)
- ★ Provide a safe space for students to come and talk to
- ★ Referr students to other agencies if I am unable to provide the support that is needed

# Help Families



- ★ Connect families with resources
- ★ Advocate on a family's behalf
- ★ Maintain the communication between home and school
- ★ Provide families with resources they may not be aware of or have access to

# Be a Face in the community

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- ★ Attend different community meetings to find resources that will be beneficial for our students and families

**McKinney Vento**

**Homeless**

**Liaison**

# What is a Homeless Liaison

- ★ As the local homeless liaison I am need to identify any student who may be experiencing homelessness
- ★ Referrals are then made to other resources for the family and student to help them through their experience
- ★ After identifying students who are homeless I monitor and ensure-
  - Prompt enrollment in school
  - Attendance
  - Opportunities for the student for academic success in their current situation.
- ★ Main goal- to provide educational stability for students without permanent housing

# What defines homelessness per DPI

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001 defines homeless students as those who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. This includes children and youth who...

- ★ Share the housing of other persons due to the loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason;
  - ★ Live in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
  - ★ Live in emergency or transitional shelters;
  - ★ Are abandoned in hospitals;
  - ★ Are awaiting foster care placement.
  - ★ Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for humans
  - ★ Children and youth who live in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; or
  - ★ Migratory children who qualify as homeless because they are living in circumstances set forth in Items i, ii, and iii above.
  - ★ Any unaccompanied youth
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**What do I do if a  
student  
discloses they  
are homeless.**

# Inform me right away

- ★ There may be other services that we can provide the student to help them during this time
  - ★ Services include
    - Automatically receiving free lunch
    - Transportation to and from place of residency
    - Extra support for the student and their family members

# Referral Process

Not just for McKinney-Vento Services  
but for all services :)

Lesley Ernst has shared a Google Form with all staff. Those referrals come directly to us and we determine who is best suited to help that student with services!

[https://docs.google.com/a/montelloschools.org/forms/d/1ZQtAac-3A88LYFYRbWt\\_rcXKt5c-9mDhdBLxbv50hPU/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/a/montelloschools.org/forms/d/1ZQtAac-3A88LYFYRbWt_rcXKt5c-9mDhdBLxbv50hPU/viewform?c=0&w=1)

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