# Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program (EHCY)

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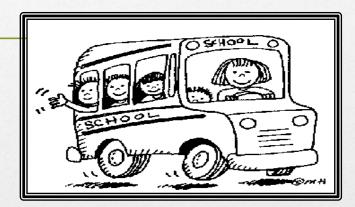
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### Causes of Homelessness

- Lack of affordable housing
- Poverty
- Health problems
- Domestic violence
- Natural and other disasters
- Abuse, neglect, and/or abandonment

# Barriers to Homeless Education

- Enrollment requirements
- High mobility
- Lack of transportation
- Lack of school supplies, clothing, etc.
- Poor health, fatigue, hunger, anxiety/trauma
- Lack of awareness
- Prejudice and misunderstanding



#### **Definition of Homelessness**

The McKinney-Vento Act defines a "homeless" student as one between 0 to 22 years of age, who lacks a <u>fixed</u>, <u>regular</u>, <u>and</u> <u>adequate</u> nighttime residence, and may include:

- In a house or apartment with more than one family because of *economic hardship or loss*
- In a shelter (family, domestic violence, or youth shelter or transitional living program)
- In a motel, hotel, or weekly rate housing
- In an abandoned building, in a car, at a campground, or on the street
- With friends or family because you are a runaway or an unaccompanied youth

#### Immediate Enrollment

Schools **must** immediately enroll homeless students, regardless of the lack of:

- Academic Records
- Proof of Residency
- Medical Records
- Immunization Records

## **School Selection**

- Continue at their **School of Origin** (the school attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled) for the duration of homelessness; **OR**
- Enroll in the school in the area where the family is temporarily residing (School of Residence)
- If the family gains permanent housing, the student can remain at the current school for the duration of that academic year.



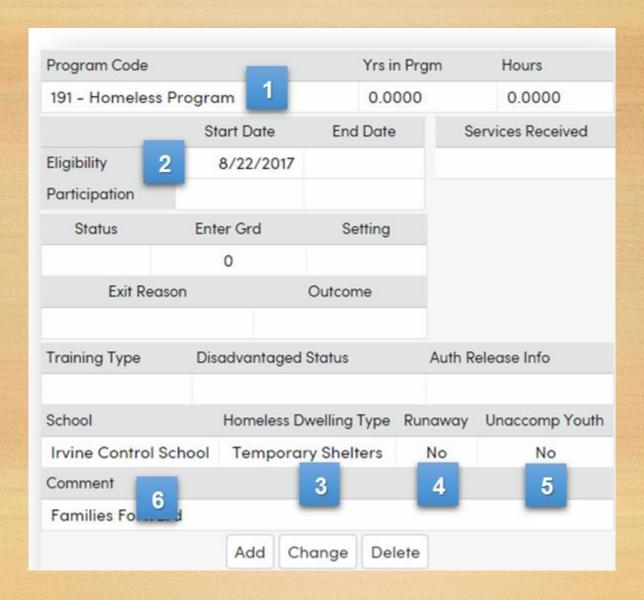
# Irvine Unified School District McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act Confidential Enrollment Form

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■ ■ District	
The McKinney-Vento Act defines the term "homeless children and youth" as individuals who lack a fixed, regular and adequate night time residence. Students and families that are doubled up with other families due to economic hardship, living in shelters, motels or vehicles may qualify for services. We may offer help with school supplies and connecting families with resources in our community. These services are in response to federal legislation which is designed to provide educational services and protect the educational rights of students considered homeless. This form assists school personnel in complying with the legal guidelines for school enrollment for children who meet the eligible criteria for services.	
SECTION 1	
Living in home.	rented home, or apartment (one family)
	ds or relatives (own choice)
If you marked either option in Section 1 you do not need to complete or submit this form.	
SECTION 2	
	and now sharing/renting with others <u>due to economic hardship.</u> Unable to afford housing for your all otherwise be homeless)
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	or motel due to economic hardship
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I declare und Providing fa	supplies and bus passes
Parent Signature:	Date:
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Prease code the student a	appropriately in the Program field in AERIES & send a copy to departments listed below. Keep original in student's file.
Immediately send to:	Send if applicable:

 Guidance Resources 2. Food/Nutrition Services Fax # 949- 936-6529 □ Language Development Program Fax # 949-936-8509
□ Transportation Fax # 949-936-5379 Werified by School Staff Must be Signed

#### **AERIES INSTRUCTIONS- HOMELESS STUDENTS**



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