

The McKinney-Vento Act's Education of Homeless Children and Youth Program, ensures that homeless children and youth are provided a free, appropriate public education, despite lack of a fixed place of residence or a supervising parent or guardian. The state public school admission statute assuring the right of homeless and other children and youth in similar circumstances to enroll in schools is ORS 399.115(7).

North Powder School District's designated Homeless Student Liaison is Lance Dixon. He can provide direct assistance to homeless families and unaccompanied youths. To reach the district liaison, contact the district's administrative office at 541-898-2244.

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.
- * If the school district believes that the school selected is not in his/her best interest, then the district must provide the student with a written explanation of its position and inform the student of his/her right to appeal its decision.
- Receive transportation to and from the school of origin, if requested.
 - Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to the students' needs.