

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Dispute Resolution Process

State educational agencies (SEAs) and local educational agencies (LEAs) must ensure that each homeless child and youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including a public preschool program, as other children and youth. Part of this assurance is for the California Department of Education (CDE) to provide guidance to LEAs regarding prompt resolutions of school selection and enrollment disputes.

I. The Law

The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001 (PL 107-110, Section 722) expands the responsibility of CDE and LEAs to ensure educational rights and protections for children and youth experiencing homelessness. All LEAs must ensure coordination of their efforts on behalf of homeless children and youth with the dl(g)of CDh(g)o.o ee (ie810 (tm)14 (e)13 (nt 510 (D 6 BDC -0.002mf (o

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