

Agency Information List

The following contacts may be useful resources for families that move often or are experiencing housing issues:

- **Texas Homeless Education Office (THEO)** provides contact information for districts' Homeless Liaisons and on issues concerning homelessness. 1-800-446-3142
- **National Association for the Education of Young Children** answers questions concerning the education of children ages 0-8 years. 1-800-424-2460
- **2-1-1 Texas** is a free, confidential and multilingual service available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- **Hays-Caldwell Women's Center** provides many services to victims of family violence and sexual assault through support and advocacy. 1-800-460-7233
- **Hill Burton Free Hospital Care** (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services) information and referral to facilities that provide free medical care. 1-800-638-0742
- **Social Security Administration Hotline** Assists individuals applying for benefits. 1-800-772-1213 or 1-800-325-0778(TDD)
- **Child Help USA Hotline** Counselors available to talk with pre-teens about their problems with child abuse, runaway, and high-risk behavior.
- **National Runaway Switchboard** 1-800-621-4000
- **CARTS – Caldwell County** – Provides door-to-door transportation into Austin, in addition to their towns. 1-800-456-RIDE

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What Families in Transition need to know?



Is your residency or housing
uncertain?

Do you live at a temporary address?

Luling Independent School District
has many services to support
student's academic needs and
enrollment.

The Families in Transition Program support students who are experiencing housing issues, who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

- Living doubled up with another family due to loss of housing
- Living in a motel or unsafe trailer homes
- Substandard housing
- Awaiting foster care placement
- Living in cars, public places or abandoned buildings
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters
- Unaccompanied youth who are not in physical custody of a parent or guardian and are experiencing a loss of housing



What Families in Transition Need to Know about the McKinney-Vento Act?

- Homeless children have the right to attend school
- Your child cannot be denied school enrollment because school records or other enrollment documentation are not immediately available
- Your child has the right to transportation services to and from school of origin
- Unaccompanied youth have the right to enroll in school
- Your child has the right to participate in extracurricular activities and all federal, state, or local programs for which he/she is eligible

Assistance Programs Available for These Students that meet the eligibility Requirements as Homeless

- School enrollment and birth certificates
- Federal Funded Free Lunch Program
- Payment assistance for summer school tuition
- Transportation
- Basic school supplies
- Community referrals for basic needs

At School, Ask About LISD Special Programs

- Special Education programs, especially if the student has previously received Special Education services
- Bilingual or English as a Second Language (ESL)
- Gifted and Talented programs
- After-school programs
- Summer school programs
- Head Start program



What Your Family can do Before You Move?

- Tell your child's teacher and principal that your child is moving and give them the new address
- Ask for a copy of your child's school records including immunizations



Tips for Families Who Move Often

- Keep a copy of birth certificates and school records accessible
- Safeguard all health and immunization records
- Have a reliable person keep a second copy of the students birth certificate, school records, and health information
- Enroll children in school as soon as possible
- Contact your new school's Homeless Liaison