## **Information for Parents and School Aged Children**

## The Federal McKinney-Vento Act and Texas state law guarantee that you can enroll in school if you live

- In a shelter (family shelter, domestic violence shelter, youth shelter or transitional living program);
- In a motel, hotel, or weekly-rate housing;
- In a housing or apartment with more than one family because of economic hardship or loss
- In substandard housing (no electricity, no water, and/or no heat); or
- With friends of family because you are a runaway or unaccompanied youth.

## If you live in one of these situations, you do NOT need to provide:

- Proof of residency,
- Immunization records or a TB skin test result,
- Birth certificate.
- School records, or
- Legal guardianship papers to enroll in or attend school.

## You may also:

- Continue to attend the school in which you were last enrolled, even if you have moved away from that school's attendance zone or district;
- Receive transportation from your current residence back to our school of origin;
- Qualify automatically for Child Nutrition Programs (Free and Reduced-Price breakfast, lunch and other district food programs)

If you have any questions about enrolling in school or need assistance with enrolling in school, contact:

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