

POLICY

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

Related Entries: JAC-RA

Responsible Office: DIVISION OF STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

HOMELESS STUDENTS

A. PURPOSE

To ensure the Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) fully implements the provisions of the *McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act* of 2001 and subsequent amendments (*McKinney-Vento*) concerning the education of homeless children and unaccompanied youth.

B. ISSUE

McKinney-Vento requires schools to ensure homeless children and unaccompanied youth, including preschool-aged children, have equal access to educational programs. To achieve compliance with *McKinney-Vento*, AACPS shall establish procedures that govern the identification, school registration, enrollment, coordination of services, transfer, and withdrawal of homeless students and unaccompanied youth.

C. POSITION

AACPS will work with homeless students and their families, as well as unaccompanied youth, to ensure full compliance with *McKinney-Vento* in order to promote enrollment, retention, and success in school.

D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

Policy History: Adopted 04/07/10

Note Previous History: None

Legal References: McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1987; McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001; Sections 2-205, 4-205, and 7-301 of the Education Article