



# Your Child Has Support to Attend School, No Matter What

## CT schools are here for all students regardless of their housing situation

If your family is dealing with an uncertain housing situation, it can be difficult to keep things stable for your children. But school can help. All Connecticut children have a spot in school no matter what their housing situation is like.

The McKinney-Vento Act is a federal law that provides protections for students who may be experiencing homelessness and housing instability. A child or teen is protected by the McKinney-Vento Act if they are:

- Staying with friends or family, or “couch surfing”
- Staying with multiple families in one space
- Living in a car or in tent



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# Get connected to the right help

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Every school district in Connecticut has a staff person who works with students experiencing homelessness or housing instability. Protections for children and teens experiencing homelessness or unstable housing situations (including teens who are living on their own) include:

- The chance to enroll and attend class in the school of their choice.
- Free school meals and transportation.
- Other special programs and services that are provided to all other students, if needed.

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