

Homeless Students, Enrollment of

The Governing Board is committed to ensuring that students experiencing homelessness have access to the same free and appropriate public education provided to other students within the district. As such, the identification of students experiencing homelessness is critical to improving their educational outcomes. The district shall provide students experiencing homelessness with access to education and other services necessary to meet the same challenging academic standards as all students and support their academic and personal needs.

Each student experiencing homelessness shall be provided services that are comparable to services offered to other students in the school, including, but not limited to, transportation, educational programs for which the student meets the eligibility criteria (such as federal Title I services or similar state or local programs, programs for students with disabilities, and educational programs for English learners), career and technical education programs, programs for gifted and talented students, and school nutrition programs.

Information about the living situation of a student experiencing homelessness shall be considered part of a student's educational record, subject to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, shall not be deemed to be directory information as defined in 20 USC 1232g, and shall not be released without written consent.

The reporting of students experiencing homelessness shall be conducted on a regular basis as outlined in Administrative Regulation 5118.1.

Ref: EC Sections 1980-1986, 2558.2, 39807.5, 51225.1
42 USC 11431-11435

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