

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

- **ARE YOU STAYING IN TEMPORARY HOUSING?**
- **DO YOU WANT YOUR CHILDREN TO STAY AT THEIR CURRENT SCHOOL?**
- **ARE YOU HAVING TROUBLE ENROLLING YOUR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL, OR GETTING THEM THERE?**

Help may be available.



1. If you are staying temporarily with someone else because you lost your housing, or staying in a motel, campground, shelter, or in an outside or inadequate place, you and your children have special rights at school.
2. Those rights include:
 - Staying in the same school even if you move, and receiving transportation to that school, as long as it is in the student's best interest
 - Enrolling in school immediately without the documents schools usually require
 - Receiving free school meals
 - Getting help with school supplies and other needs
 - Extra support for youth who are on their own
 - Help connecting young children with early childhood services
3. Contact your school district's McKinney-Vento Liaison to find out if you qualify for help.
Oceanside Unified School District – Myeshia Whigham, Coordinator of Student Services at 760.966.7862.
4. Contact your McKinney-Vento [State Coordinator](#) (<https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/SC-Contact-list-.pdf>) if you can't reach the Liaison or have other questions.