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Homeless Students and Students in Foster Care

Homeless students and students placed in foster care (Department of Human Services child welfare custody) in the district will have access to education and other services needed to ensure that opportunities are available to meet the same academic achievement standards to which all students are held.

A liaison for students in homeless situations will be designated by the district to carry out duties as required by law. The district will also appoint a foster care point of contact to carry out duties required by law with respect to children in foster care.

The district will ensure that homeless students and students in foster care are not stigmatized nor segregated on the basis of their status as homeless or their placement in foster care. A homeless student will be admitted, as requested by the parent, guardian or unaccompanied youth and in accordance with the student's best interest, to the student's school of origin or the district school in the attendance area in which the homeless student is actually living. Students in foster care will remain in their school of origin unless a court determines otherwise.

Transportation will be provided to and from a homeless student's school of origin at the request of the parent, guardian or unaccompanied youth. The student will be immediately enrolled in the district's free meals program. Transportation will be provided to and from a student in foster care's home and court appointed school of origin in coordination with the Department of Human Services (DHS). The student will be immediately enrolled in the district's free meals program upon receipt of notice from DHS regarding the student's placement in foster care.

The superintendent will develop administrative regulations to implement this policy.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 109.056](#)
[ORS 327.006](#)
[ORS 339.115\(7\)](#)

[ORS 339.133](#)
[ORS 433.267](#)

McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, Subtitle VII-B, reauthorized by Title IX-A of the Every Student Succeeds Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 11431-11435 (2012).
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2012); Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (2017).