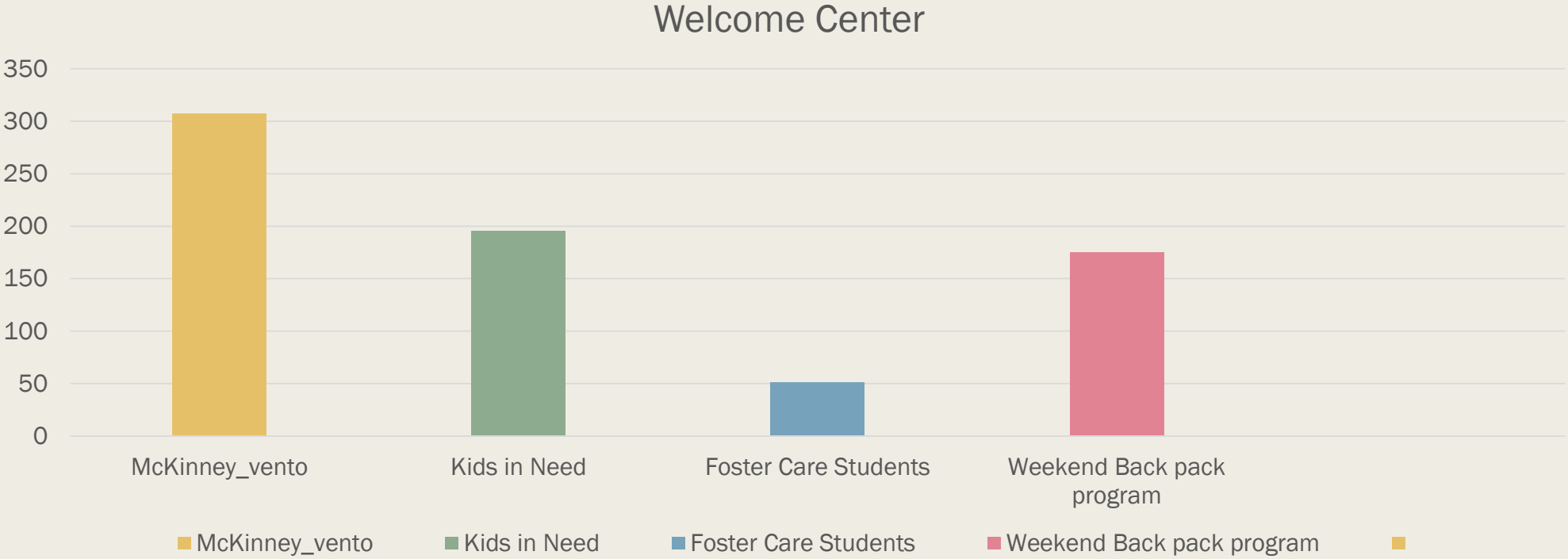


WELCOME CENTER 2017-2018

A look at what we did last year



Students Served by Welcome Center 2017-2018



How to donate!

- Contact Susie Otta or Ginger Hankins at the District office to set up automatic Donations!

You can give to these funds

- Kids in Need Fund
- Lebanon School Foundation



MCKINNEY-VENTO TRAINING 2018-19

Lebanon Community School District

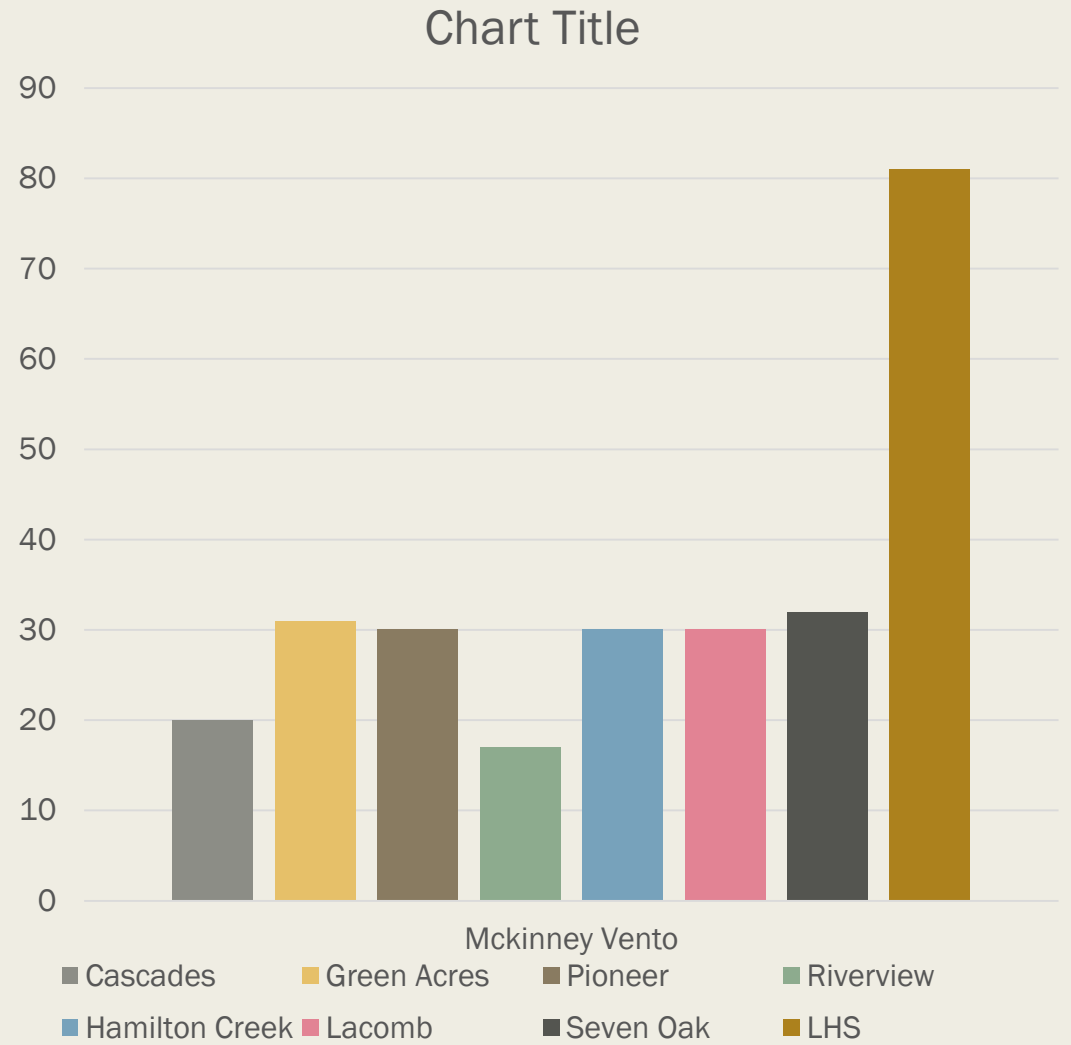


MCKINNEY-VENTO IN 2017-18

A Closer Look at Each School

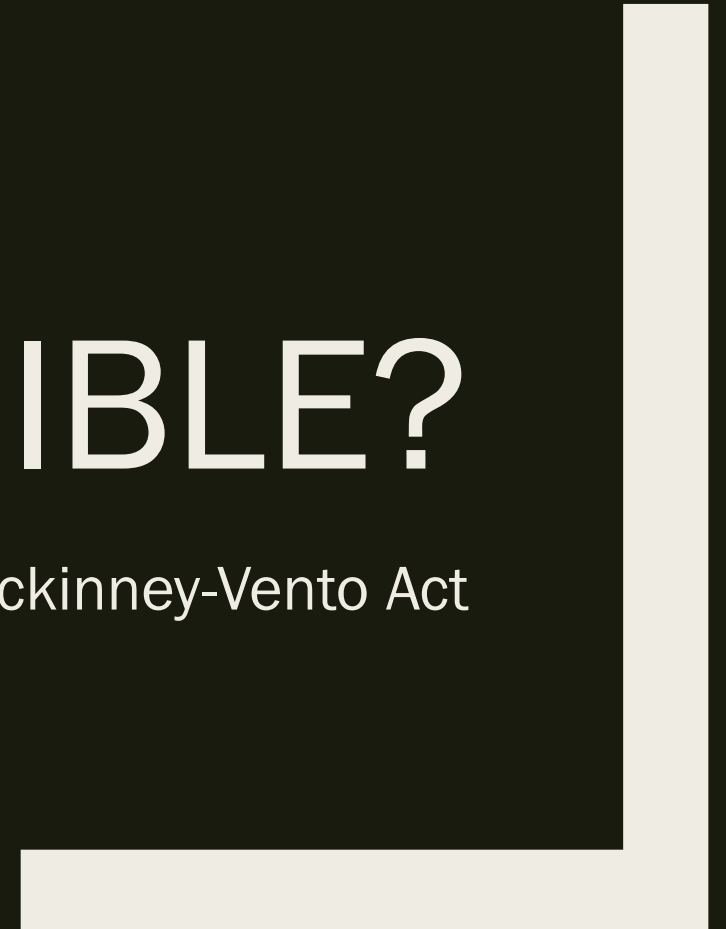


McKinney-Vento By School



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Eligibility requirements under the Mckinney-Vento Act



McKinney-Vento: Individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence

Children/youths who are:

- Sharing Housing
- Living in Hotel/Motel, campgrounds, emergency or transitional shelters
- Abandoned in a hospital
- Living in cars, parks, abandoned buildings, substandard housing
- Migratory children

MCKINNEY-VENTO PROVISIONS

Why it is important to refer students

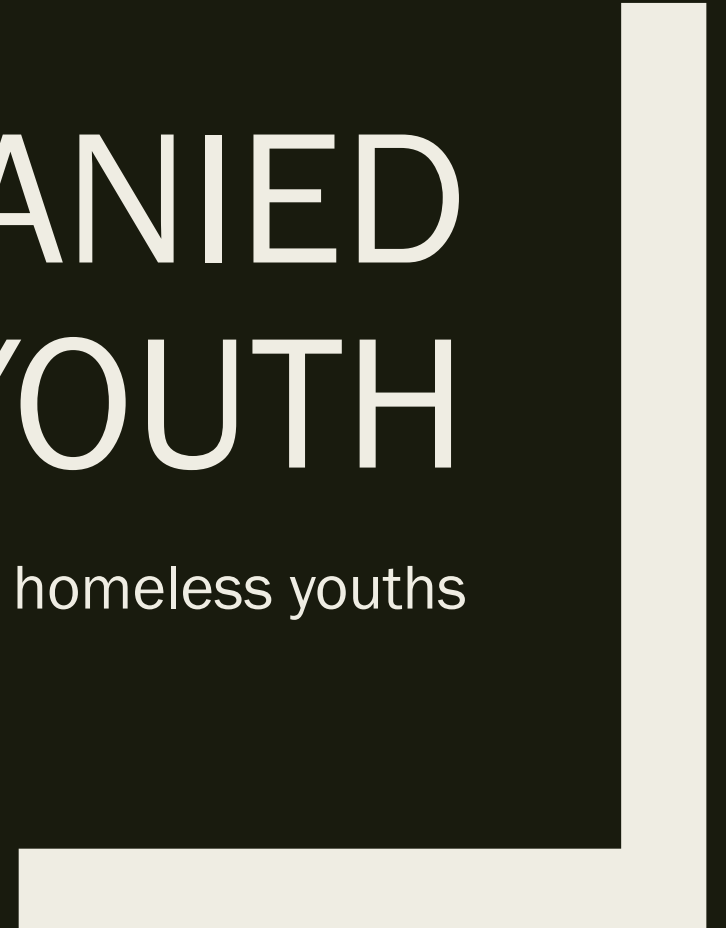


Rights/services under McKinney- Vento Act

- Free breakfast and lunch
- Right to attend school of origin for duration of their homelessness
- Immediate enrollment regardless of any missing documentation
- Access to McKinney-Vento funding that will directly support students academic success and overall wellness
- Case management and assistance for the student as well as their family that is living in a homeless situation
- Access to transportation through school district
 - *To and from school of origin, sports events, and school related programs*

UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH

Definition and Information about unaccompanied homeless youths



Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

defined in McKinney-Vento Act:

“a homeless child or youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.”

Most Unaccompanied Youth:

Most of these students will be added to the system as Unaccompanied/Doubled up.

-This means they are not in physical custody of parent or legal guardian and living with friends or other family

Staff's primary responsibility is to:

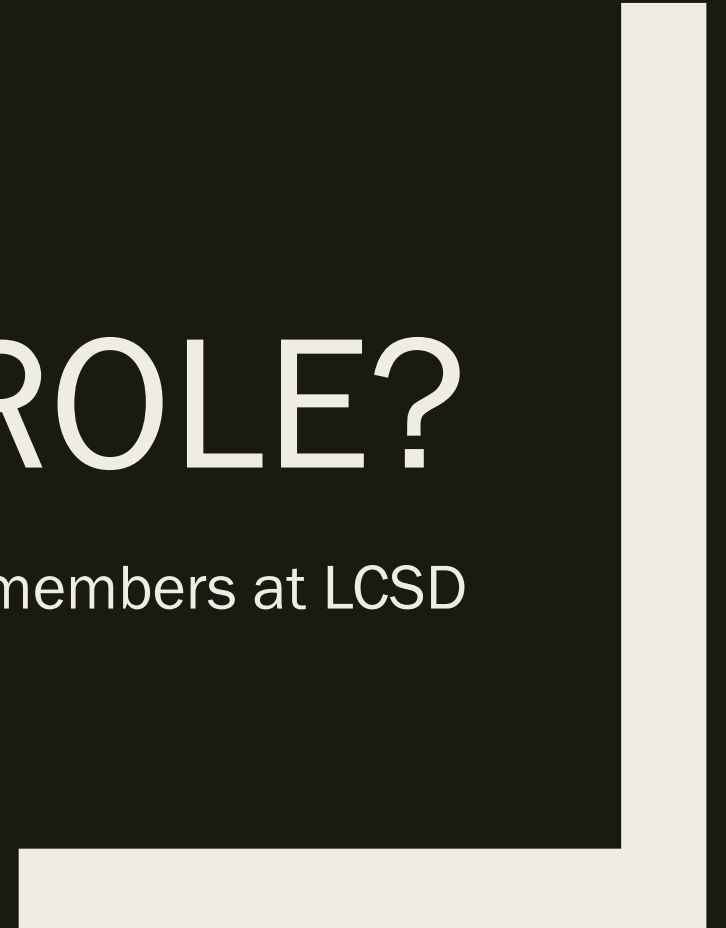
- Enroll and educate homeless children in accordance with the McKinney-Vento Act
- Not judge circumstances surrounding why a student left their home

Remember:

- If a minor was kicked out and as a result is homeless it must be reported to Children Protective Services
 - *1.866.303.4643 to report child abuse.*
 - *Fill out Lebanon Community School District Child abuse form and send to Jennifer Meckley in Human Resources*
 - [lebanon Community School District Child Abuse Form.pdf](#)

WHAT'S YOUR ROLE?

Responsibilities of staff members at LCSD



Safe, secure, unthreatening environment

Students dealing with homelessness are often dealing with more trauma than we know. They need:

- Consistency
- Non-judgmental attitudes
- Understanding
- Patience
- Dependability

- Make sure you never put the student in a situation where homelessness may be revealed in front of other peers or staff.
- Refer any students that you believe or confirmed fall under the McKinney-Vento Act to District Liaison (Community Liaison)
- Always protect the rights and privacy of the student

IDENTIFYING HOMELESS YOUTH

Information and red flags



Common signs of homelessness

There are many red flags to look out for when identifying homelessness (refer to your handout for full list).

- Lack of educational continuity
- Poor health/nutrition
- Transportation & attendance problems
- Poor hygiene
- Lack of personal space after school (Example: Student comments/Complains that there is no place they can do homework)
- Social and behavioral Concerns
- Reactions or statements by parents, guardians, or students

REFERRAL PROCESS

How to connect students with local district liaison



Referring Students to McKinney-Vento Community Liaison

Referral through LSCD website

- www.lebanon.k12.or.us
- Resources
- Homeless Education Program
- Two forms to choose from-
 - *Fillable format- these will be sent directly to Local Liaison*
 - *Referral Letter- print the form, scan, and send*

Referral through Ticket System

- www.lebanon.k12.or.us
- Welcome Center
- Welcome Center Web Portal
 - *Fill out referral and it will be assigned to the corresponding team member for assessment*

MCKINNEY-VENTO COMMUNITY LIAISON'S RESPONSIBILITIES

What happens after a student is referred?



McKinney-Vento District Liaison-

The McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youth Act provides a definition of homeless children and youths to be used by state and local educational agencies.

Eligibility for McKinney-Vento provisions is based on homeless situation fitting the definition.

Children and youths who lack a **fixed, regular, and adequate** nighttime residence.

- Confirm eligibility of student based on McKinney-Vento definition and limitations.
- Provide assistance where needed through funding provided by the district specifically used for McKinney-Vento Students.
- Ensure students academic success is not hindered by current state of homelessness.
- Advocate for students and families with school when needed.
- Maintain School Stability for student by keeping student in their School of Origin for duration of homelessness
- Make sure homeless children and youth are identified through effective training and referrals as well as outreach and coordination with other organizations
- Mediate any enrollment disputes
- Make sure homeless students and youth, as well as unaccompanied youth, is informed about their transportation options during homelessness

Local and State McKinney-Vento Liaison Contact Information

Lebanon District Liaison

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amy.souza@lebanon.k12.or.us

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State Liaison & Information sites

Dona Bolt- McKinney-Vento State Liaison

dona.bolt@state.or.us

State Coordinator Contact Information

<https://nche.ed.gov/states/stateresources.php>

National Center for Homeless Education

<https://nche.edu.gov>