

CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

In compliance with the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as reauthorized in 2015 by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Conemaugh Township Area School District is attempting to identify all children within the district that may be experiencing homelessness.

The term homeless children and youth is defined as individuals who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. This includes individuals:

- ✓ Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason;
- ✓ Living in a motel, hotel, trailer park, or campground due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
- ✓ Living in emergency or transitional shelters;
- ✓ Awaiting foster care placement (to be removed from the definition on 12/10/16);
- ✓ Living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, bus or train stations, or similar settings;
- ✓ Living in substandard housing (no running water or working utilities, etc.)

Children who are experiencing homelessness may qualify for assistance with free school lunch, school supplies/materials, tutoring and transportation so that they can remain in their school of origin.

If you believe your child(ren) may qualify for this service, please contact the principal of your child(ren)'s school. You may also contact me at (814) 479-7575.

If your living situation changes during the school year, and you and your children become homeless, please be sure to contact the school. We will work with you so that your child(ren)'s education is disrupted as little as possible.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Kakabar, Superintendent/Homeless Liaison

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