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McKinney-Vento Act

Parents:

The McKinney-Vento Act (MVA) and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) have worked together to ensure that all students have access to a quality education despite their living arrangements. At Drexel, we uphold the same values as both acts listed above, and want to help our youths and their families succeed in our education system and beyond.

The MVA and the ESSA have determined that all students that meet their criteria are to be given the same opportunities to experience their education as their peers. This includes transportation, reduced food prices, and providing resources for school and extracurricular activities on an as-needed basis.

Please review the following questions regarding your family:

- 1) Are you sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason? Explain if it is a similar reason. ___yes ___no
Explain: _____
- 2) Are you currently residing at a motel, hotel, in a car, or at a campsite because your home has been damaged or because of economic reasons? ___yes ___no
- 3) Are you currently residing in a shelter? ___yes ___no
- 4) Are you currently living in a temporary housing arrangement due to economic hardship? ___yes ___no

If you answered “yes” to any of the above questions, you may be considered homeless by the McKinney-Vento Act. The definitions of a homeless student include:

- Sharing housing due to loss of housing/economic hardship
- Living in hotels, motels, campgrounds, or trailer parks due to lack of alternative adequate housing
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters
- Abandoned in hospitals

- Living in a public or private place not designated for, or normally used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings
- Living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar places
- Living in one of the above circumstances and whoa are migratory according to the definition in Section 1309 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965

This year, I will be serving as both the Homeless Student Liaison, as well as the Foster Care Liaison. If you and your students meet any of the above listed criteria, or if you have any questions on how to assist your foster student, please contact Mr. Stackhouse to discuss services that can be provided to you and your family.

Thank you

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