



# McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Updates – April 2024

## Nutrition Services

This summer, both the [Summer Food Service Program](#) and [Summer EBT](#) are available resources to support kids and make sure they have nutritious food all year long. School Nutrition teams may reach out to you to determine eligibility status for students utilizing both of the programs. Thank you for your help in identifying and communicating to nutrition teams so that all students receive the benefits they qualify for!

## Highly Mobile Youth Professionals Peer-to-Peer Conversations

Thank you for staying engaged in our monthly Peer-to-Peer conversations!

In **February** we were joined by Jon Paul Burden who shared his extensive knowledge and expertise on Child Find and distinguishing between IEPs and 504 Plans. Please consider [reviewing this presentation](#) to deepen your knowledge and understanding IDEA.

In **March** we shared updates regarding supporting college and career pathways for youth experiencing homelessness and those in foster care. We were joined by Abbie Kell, the Student Housing Project Manager at Metro State University of Denver. She shared information on [scholarships](#) and [housing](#) to support students. Please also consider reviewing the [overview slides](#) for important information and links on FAFSA, Career and Technical Education, Foster Ed Supports and College Assistance Migrant Program.

On **April 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 am – 12:30pm** we are thrilled to be joined by Jacqueline Chavez from the Out-of-School Time Team at CDE to engage in a discussion about summer programming. Please come to this discussion prepared to:

- Ask your questions about getting connected to community services through the summer months.
- Share your examples of providing needed services over the summer to students experiencing housing instability.

Jacqueline will provide an overview of summer programming, what it is and what it isn't, provide space to discuss and share with one another, and spotlight some examples. Please use the following link to join us on the 9<sup>th</sup>! [Click here to join the meeting](#)

## New Resources from National Partners

The [National Center for Homeless Education](#) and [SchoolHouse Connection](#) provide important and applicable tools and resources for liaisons and their partners in implementing the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. Please review some of the most recent additions to their libraries of resources to support your continued work to support children and youth experiencing homelessness.

- [Voices Amplified Podcast](#)
- [Resource to Support Immigrant and Migrant Students Experiencing Homelessness](#)

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