



Got MEP?
Migrant Education Program:
Binational Migrant Education
Initiative

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Who we are:

- ▶ The Federal Title I, Part C Migrant Education Program (MEP) was created in 1966 to ensure that all migratory children are not penalized by disparities among states in curriculum, graduation requirements, or state academic content and student academic achievement standards due to their constant mobility.





MEP Organization

U.S. Department of Education (ED)

Office of Migrant Education (OME)

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State Education Agency

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Local (District) Operating Agencies (LOA)



Title I, Part C
MEP

Contracts
and Grants

Consortium
Incentive

Coordination
Support center

National
Hotline

Binational
Initiative

Special
Initiatives

ID&

Comprehensive
needs
Assessment

Student
Records
Exchange

Who is a migrant child?



- ▶ Any child under the age of 22, who does not have a U.S. issued diploma or GED and has moved:
 - Within the last 36 months
 - Across school district lines or state lines
 - With a parent/guardian or on his/her own
 - To obtain qualifying migratory work*

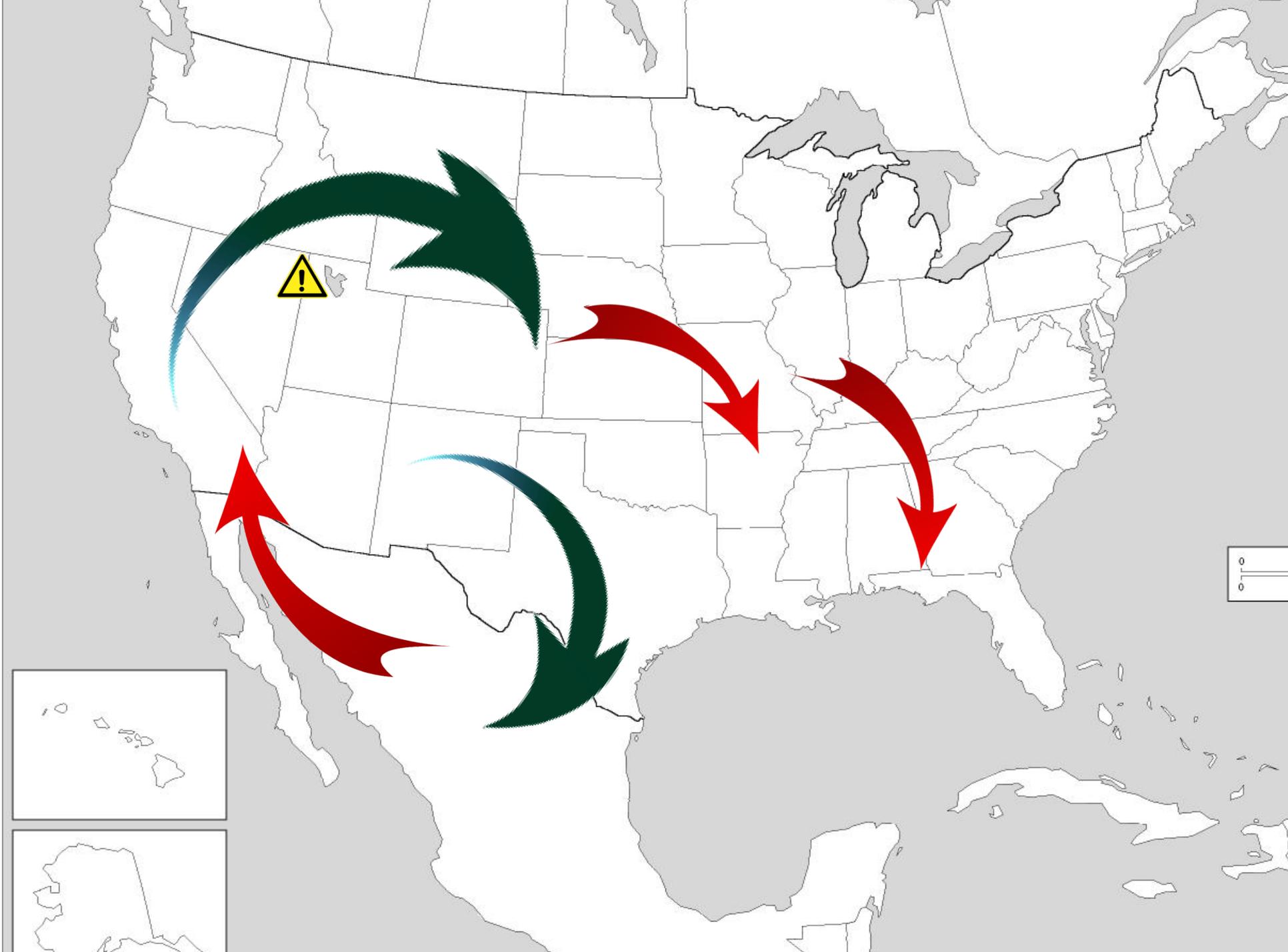
- ▶ *Migratory work refers to temporary or seasonal employment in fishing or agricultural work, including the production or initial processing of crops, livestock, dairy products, and fish, as well as the cultivation and harvesting of trees.



Who is a Binational Student?

- ▶ A Binational student is an eligible migrant student who moves between Mexico and the United States with his/her Parents or as an emancipated youth at least once in the last 36 months





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- ▶ Latinos make up ~80% of the Migrant student population.
- ▶ By 2025, 25% of all U.S. K-12 students will be of Spanish-speaking origin (U.S. Census Bureau, 2008a)
- ▶ 90% of Latino students are U.S. citizens (National Women's Law Center & Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, 2009)

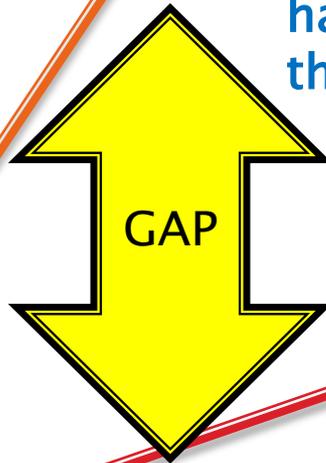
- ▶ PEW Hispanic Research Center:
 - ▶ Latino students that do not perform as well as other groups in school: Nearly six-in-ten (58%) state that their limited English skills is a major reason.
 - ▶ 74% of 16- to 25-year-old's cut their education short during or right after high school to support their family.

Latino Student Achievement

1) Lack of Exposure to English at home
Four in 10 Latino students are English Language Learners.

2) Low family income
45% of Latino Students attend Schools in High-poverty areas.

3) Lack of parental education
Latino Students are 5 times more likely to have parents without a High school diploma than Anglo children.



Unique Needs of Migrant Students



- ▶ Educational disruptions due to frequent moves
- ▶ **An economic necessity to work instead of attending school**
- ▶ **Parents struggle to provide educational support at home**
- ▶ The responsibility of caring for their younger siblings
- ▶ The highest dropout rates in the nation

Unique Needs of Binational Migrant Students

- Shock
- **Cultural and language barriers**
- Lack of familiarity with either educational systems



Estimated 450,000 US-Born children attend school in Mexico

Mexican child migrants try border crossings multiple times, study says

By Rafael Romo, Senior Latin American Affairs Editor
Updated 8:50 AM ET, Tue August 5, 2014

Story highlights

- A Pew Center report looked at attempted illegal border crossings by Mexican minors
- The report counted 11,000 who tried to cross between October 1 and May 31
- Fifteen percent of those minors had been caught and deported at least six times
- Poverty and violence in Mexico are often reasons children leave home for the U.S.

- 11,000 child crossings in 7 months
- 15% had been caught and deported 6 times

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U.S.-born students in Mexico risk becoming 'lost generation'



Binational Migrant Education Initiative (BMEI)

- ▶ Develop the coordination of activities between U.S. and Mexican States to improve the continuity of educational and social services for migrant students who migrate between the two countries.
- ▶ Support and strengthen the efforts of States participating in the U.S. Binational Migrant Education Initiative through the interstate coordination of programs.
- ▶ **Support a continuing dialogue and sharing of information (records) between educators of migrant students in the U.S. and Mexico.**
- ▶ Promote the implementation of binational cooperation in the field of education within the context of the United States–Mexico Memorandum of Understanding on Education. (MOU)



Tools for Support:

- ▶ Bilingual Teacher exchange
- ▶ Transfer Document
- ▶ Understanding the Mexican education System



The Bilingual Teacher Exchange: Education Without Borders

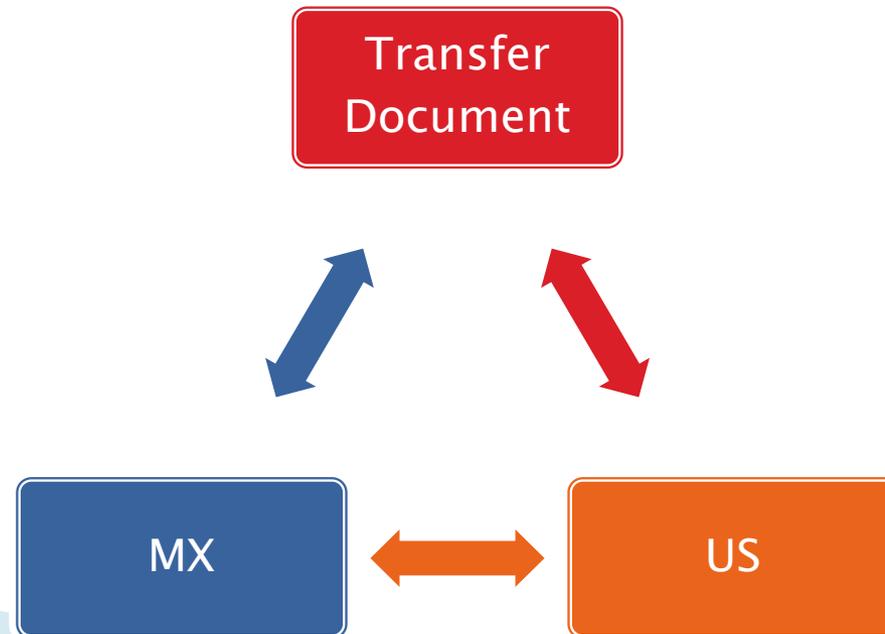
Through the exchange program, teachers have opportunities to learn first-hand about each countries:

- ▶ Standards and benchmarks
- ▶ Testing requirements
- ▶ Curriculum, instruction, and assessment practices
- ▶ General and special program offerings
- ▶ Class size and structure
- ▶ Successful teaching strategies
- ▶ Effective discipline methods
- ▶ Expectations for parent involvement



Transfer Document: “Breve” Quickly ...

- ▶ Bilingual Report Card between the United States and Mexico
- ▶ Grades 1–6 and 7–9
- ▶ You do not have to be a migrant student to use it.



INFORMACIÓN ACADÉMICA/ACADEMIC INFORMATION

GRADO GRADE		PERIODO ESCOLAR SCHOOL YEAR					
PERIODO QUE REPORTA REPORTING PERIOD	DEL FROM	DÍA DAY	MES MONTH	AÑO YEAR	AL DÍA TO DAY	MES MONTH	AÑO YEAR
NOMBRE DE LA ESCUELA NAME OF SCHOOL							
DOMICILIO ADDRESS			CIUDAD CITY		MUNICIPIO COUNTY		
ESTADO STATE		ZONA ESCOLAR DISTRICT			CÓDIGO POSTAL ZIP CODE		

INFORMACIÓN DEL ESTUDIANTE/STUDENT INFORMATION

NOMBRE COMPLETO DEL ESTUDIANTE COMO SE UTILIZA EN MÉXICO STUDENT'S NAME AS USED IN MÉXICO	
CLAVE ÚNICA DE REGISTRO DE POBLACIÓN (CURP)	
FECHA DE NACIMIENTO (DÍA-MES-AÑO) DATE OF BIRTH (DAY-MONTH-YEAR)	SEXO SEX
NOMBRE DEL PADRE O TUTOR (APELLIDO-NOMBRE) FATHER'S NAME/GUARDIAN (LAST-MIDDLE-FIRST)	
NOMBRE DE LA MADRE O TUTORA (APELLIDO-NOMBRE) MOTHER'S NAME/GUARDIAN (LAST-MIDDLE-FIRST)	

PARA OBTENER INFORMACIÓN ADICIONAL DE EDUCACIÓN ESPECIAL O DE SALUD DEL ESTUDIANTE FAVOR DE COMUNICARSE CON:
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON STUDENT'S SPECIAL EDUCATION OR HEALTH NEEDS CONTACT:

NOMBRE/NAME	TELÉFONO/TELEPHONE	INFORMACIÓN ADICIONAL/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> SALUD HEALTH <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCACIÓN ESPECIAL SPECIAL EDUCATION

VALIDACIÓN/VALIDATION

NOMBRE Y FIRMA DEL DIRECTOR PRINCIPAL'S NAME AND SIGNATURE

SE RECOMIENDA SE TOME EN CUENTA LA OPINIÓN DEL TUTOR O PADRES DE FAMILIA Y LA DE LAS AUTORIDADES DE LA ESCUELA PARA DECIDIR SI EL ALUMNO REQUIERE ATENCIÓN ESPECIAL.

IT IS RECOMMENDED TO CONSIDER GUARDIAN OR PARENTS AND SCHOOL STAFF OPINION IN ORDER TO DECIDE IF THE STUDENT NEEDS SPECIAL ATTENTION

**DOCUMENTO DE TRANSFERENCIA
DEL ESTUDIANTE MIGRANTE BINACIONAL
MÉXICO • EUA
SECUNDARIA
1º a 3º GRADO**



**TRANSFER DOCUMENT
FOR BINATIONAL MIGRANT STUDENT
USA • MEXICO
JUNIOR HIGH
7th, 8th, 9th**



Sistema Educativo Nacional



Migrant Education

U.S. School System	Mexican School System
Pre-school	<i>Preescolar</i>
1 st grade	<i>Primer grado de primaria</i>
2 nd grade	<i>Segundo grado de primaria</i>
3 rd grade	<i>Tercer grado de primaria</i>
4 th grade	<i>Cuarto grado de primaria</i>
5 th grade	<i>Quinto grado de primaria</i>
6 th grade	<i>Sexto grado de primaria</i>
7 th grade	<i>Primer grado de secundaria</i>
8 th grade	<i>Segundo grado de secundaria</i>
9 th grade	<i>Tercer grado de secundaria</i>
10 th grade	<i>Primer y Segundo semestres de Preparatoria (Bachillerato)</i>
11 th grade	<i>Tercer y Cuarto semestres de Preparatoria (Bachillerato)</i>
12 th grade	<i>Quinto y Sexto semestres de Preparatoria (Bachillerato)</i>

Educación Básica

Educación Media Superior

Educational Systems in Contrast

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Quick Facts:

- Decentralized Education with State curriculum and standards
- Free Public Education through grade 12
- State and Federally Funded
- Compulsory until age 16.
- School Calendar varies



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Quick Facts:

- Centralized Education with National curriculum and standards
- Free Public education through grade 9
- State and Federally Funded
- Compulsory until age 14
- National School Calendar – 200 Days





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