

The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Programmatic Monitoring includes Main Requirement 5 in each of the four (4) monitoring cycles. Main Requirement 5 covers mandatory elements of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act for which every Local Education Agency (LEA) is required to implement.

The purpose of the **Cycle 1 Main Requirement 5 Desktop Monitoring Resource** addresses two essential requirements to support the development and implementation of effective LEA programming to benefit students experiencing homelessness:

- Provide the data collection task rationales, clarifications, resources, and guidance with LEAs, and
- Ensure transparency in the evaluation of LEA desktop monitoring submissions in Educational Monitoring, Assistance & Compliance (EMAC).

To navigate to a specific data collection task within Cycle I, click on the desired data collection task below:

- Data Collection Task A: How do the parents/guardians access Arizona Student Residency Questionnaire (SRQ)?
- Data Collection Task B: How do parents/guardians access the Educational Rights of Homeless Children and Youth document?
- Data Collection Task C: At the time of enrollment, how do you identify, determine eligibility, provide written notifications?
- Data Collection Task D: Throughout the year, how do you identify, determine eligibility, and provide written notifications?
- Data Collection Task E: What is the process of identifying homeless children and youth for both the previous school year and the upcoming new school year?

We strongly encourage you to contact <u>ESEA@azed.gov</u> to schedule technical support to address your LEA's specific ESEA Programmatic Monitoring needs.

Cycle I, MR5 Data Collection Task A			
Data Collection Task & Success Criterion	Rationale	Resources	
 A. How do the parents/guardians access Arizona Student Residency Questionnaire (SRQ)? ⊠Enrollment Packet (paper and online and all multiple language versions) □LEA's website □Schools Front Office □Student Handbook 	The LEA-branded Arizona Student Residency Questionnaire (SRQ) and the corresponding Educational Rights of Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness must be included in the standard enrollment packet provided to parents, guardians, caregivers, and youth during in-person registration and online enrollment.	<u>Arizona Student Residency Questionnaire &</u> <u>Educational Rights of Homeless Children and</u> <u>Youths</u>	
□Other *The LEA may also select any other applicable formats. The LEA is only compliant if at least Enrollment Packet is selected	All versions must include information about the Educational Rights of Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness, including the right to immediate enrollment, transportation to the school of origin, and access to comparable services.		
	Translated versions must also be available in all languages represented in the LEA to ensure accessibility to all parents, guardians, caregivers, and youth.		
	The LEA must demonstrate that its established enrollment processes include the linguistically accessible Arizona SRQ and Educational Rights of Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness to increase awareness and remove barriers to the identification and immediate enrollment of children and youth experiencing homelessness.		

Cycle I, MR5 Data Collection Task B			
Data Collection Task & Success Criterion	Rationale	Resources	
 B. How do the parents/guardians access the Educational Rights of Homeless Children and Youths document? ** Enrollment Packet (paper and online and all multiple language versions) LEA's website Schools Front Office 	The LEA-branded Educational Rights of Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness and corresponding Arizona Student Residency Questionnaire (SRQ) must be included in the standard enrollment packet provided to parents, guardians, caregivers, and youth during in-person registration and online enrollment.	Rights of Children lessness and t Residency ncluded in the ovided to parents, th during in-personArizona Student Residency Questionnaire & Educational Rights of Homeless Children and Youths	
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	The LEA must demonstrate that its established enrollment processes and other communications include the linguistically accessible Educational Rights of Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness to increase awareness and remove barriers to the identification, immediate enrollment, attendance, and academic success of children and youth experiencing homelessness.		

Cycle I, MR5 Data Collection Task C				
Data Collection Task	Rationale	Resources		
 C. At the time of enrollment, how do you? 1. Identify McKinney-Vento homeless students? 2. Make eligibility determinations? 3. Provide written notifications? 4. Who is involved? 5. What is the timeline? 	 The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act mandates that LEAs remove educational barriers for children and youth experiencing homelessness through identification, immediate enrollment, eligibility determination for services and school placement, and a written eligibility determination notification to inform parents, guardians, caregivers, and youth of their eligibility for services, school placement, and the right to dispute the determination of eligibility for services and school placement. The LEA must demonstrate that its established written internal procedure includes all required elements from the time of school enrollment to increase awareness and remove barriers to the identification, immediate enrollment, attendance, and academic success of newly enrolling children and youth experiencing homelessness. 	 Identification Process Guidance & Resources Arizona Student Residency Questionnaire & Educational Rights of Homeless Children and Youths ADE Identification & Eligibility Interview Questions & Checklist McKinney-Vento Internal Tracking Sheet Samp Homeless Education Program Data Reporting Requirements & Integrity Rules ADE Written Notice of Eligibility & School Placement Determination Sample 		
	Success Criteria & Evaluation			
 potentially eligible students are imm McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison is r In instances in which the Arizona S potentially eligible student(s) from Parents, guardians, caregii School staff (i.e., teachers, 	onnaire (SRQ) is completed during all enrollment process ediately enrolled otified of potentially eligible student(s) from completed A RQ is not completed at the time of enrollment, the McKinney stakeholders through the LEA's established referral process	Arizona SRQs y-Vento Homeless Liaison is immediately notified of		

- The student is <u>immediately enrolled and fully participating</u> in school o Even if eligibility has not yet been determined

 - Even if documents normally required for enrollment cannot be provided, such as the following: 0
 - Academic records
 - o Immunization
 - Proof of residency or guardianship
- The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison is required to help facilitate the obtainment of any missing information or documentation by collaborating • with school staff

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2. <u>Make eligibility determinations?</u>

- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison reviews the Arizona SRQ & any additional information shared about the child or youth's housing circumstances
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison conducts the eligibility determination and needs assessment interview with the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth to acquire more information regarding the primary nighttime residence, circumstances, and individual needs
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison determines whether the child or youth is eligible, or ineligible based on all information collected
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison records only eligible students in the LEA's student information system (SIS)
 - Even if the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth denies services, all eligible students are required to be reported in the LEA's SIS
 - The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison records the eligibility status (i.e., eligible and ineligible) for each child or youth in the Liaison's internal tracking sheet
 - o The internal tracking sheet should be separate from the student information system (SIS)
 - Even if the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth denies services, all eligible students must be reported in the internal tracking sheet
 - The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison should consistently check the AzEDS HEP10, HEP72, and INTEG15 reports against the internal tracking sheet to ensure the ongoing integrity of the student data reported to the Arizona Department of Education (ADE)

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- □ The written notice of eligibility and school placement determination, along with the educational rights of homeless children and youth, is provided to the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth as soon as reasonably possible after determining the student's McKinney-Vento eligibility or ineligibility
 - More than one attempt may be necessary to provide the written notice of eligibility and school placement, and educational rights of children and youth to the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth
 - After the eligibility and school placement determination has been made, the McKinney-Vento eligibility for the child or youth applies for duration of the school year
 - o Even if the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth denies services, eligibility remains for the duration of the school year
 - Children and youth who are determined to be ineligible can be re-evaluated at any point during the school year
 - The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison records the eligibility status (i.e., eligible and ineligible) for each child or youth in the Liaison's internal tracking sheet

4. 🛛 Who is involved?

\Box The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison and front office staff, such as registrars, are listed

- The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison is responsible for utilizing the Arizona SRQ to identify potentially eligible children and youth at the time of enrollment, conducting the eligibility determination and needs assessment interviews, determining McKinney-Vento eligibility and ineligibility, tracking and reporting student eligibility data, and providing the written notification of eligibility determination and school placement
- Front office staff, such as registrars, are responsible for utilizing the Arizona SRQ to identify and notify the McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison of potentially eligible children and youth at the time of enrollment

5. 🗆 What is the timeline?

- □ McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison is notified as soon as reasonably possible of potentially eligible student(s) at the time of their enrollment, and potentially eligible student(s) is <u>immediately enrolled</u>
 - The student is immediately enrolled and fully participating in school
 - Even if eligibility has not yet been determined

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- o Even if documents normally required for enrollment cannot be provided
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison conducts the eligibility determination and needs assessment interview with the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth as soon as reasonably possible
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison determines whether the child or youth is McKinney-Vento eligible, or ineligible based on all information collected as soon as reasonably possible
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison records the eligibility status for each eligible student in the student information system (SIS) as soon as reasonably possible
 - Even if the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth denies services, all eligible students are required to be reported in the LEA's SIS
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□ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison provides the written notice of eligibility and school placement determination, along with the educational rights of children and youth experiencing homelessness, to the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth <u>as soon as reasonably possible</u> after the eligibility determination

Cycle I, MR5 Data Collection Task D

Data Collection Task D				
Data Collection Task	Rationale	Resources		
 Throughout the year, how do you? Identify the McKinney-Vento Homeless students i.e., staff may identify student versus identification by Student Residency Questionnaire (SRQ)? Make eligibility determinations? Provide written notifications? Who is involved? What is the timeline? 	The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act mandates that LEAs remove educational barriers for children and youth experiencing homelessness through identification, immediate enrollment, eligibility determination for services and school placement, and a written eligibility determination notification to inform parents, guardians, and youth of their eligibility for services, school placement, and right to dispute the determination of eligibility for services and school placement.	 Identification & Eligibility Determination Identification Process Guidance & Resources ADE Identification & Eligibility Interview Questions & Checklist ADE Written Notice of Eligibility & School Placement Determination Sample 		
	The LEA must demonstrate that its established written internal procedure for McKinney-Vento referrals includes all required elements to increase awareness and remove barriers to the identification, attendance, and academic success for currently enrolled children and youth experiencing homelessness.			
Success Criteria & Evaluation				
Questionnaire (SRQ)? The LEA staff utilize an established proce be McKinney-Vento eligible, such as the f Parents, guardians, caregivers, youth School staff (i.e., registrars, teachers, c	dure to notify the McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison o ollowing: ounselors, bus drivers, etc.)	of currently enrolled students who may potentially		
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• Outside entities (i.e., community-based organizations, shelters, SEA, etc.)

2. <u>Make eligibility determinations?</u>

- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison reviews the information shared about the student's housing circumstances through the LEA's established referral process
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison conducts the eligibility determination and needs assessment interview with the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth to acquire more information regarding the primary nighttime residence, circumstances, and individual needs

□ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison determines whether the child or youth is eligible, or ineligible based on all information collected

□ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison records only eligible students in the LEA's student information system (SIS)

- Even if the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth denies services, all eligible students are required to be reported in the LEA's SIS
- The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison records the eligibility status (i.e., eligible and ineligible) for each child or youth in the Liaison's internal tracking sheet
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3. Description Provide written notifications?

- □ The written notice of eligibility and school placement determination, along with the educational rights of homeless children and youth, is provided to the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth as soon as reasonably possible after determining the student's McKinney-Vento eligibility or ineligibility
 - More than one attempt may be necessary to provide the written notice of eligibility and school placement, and educational rights of children and youth to the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth
 - After the eligibility and school placement determination has been made, the McKinney-Vento eligibility for the child or youth applies for duration of the school year
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4. \Box Who is involved?

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison and other LEA staff (i.e., registrars, teachers, counselors, bus drivers, administrators, etc.) are listed

- The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison is responsible for establishing a referral procedure, providing training to LEA staff on how to identify and refer potentially eligible students, conducting the eligibility determination and needs assessment interviews, determining McKinney-Vento eligibility and ineligibility, tracking and reporting student eligibility data, and providing the written notification of eligibility determination and school placement
- School staff (i.e., registrars, teachers, counselors, bus drivers, etc.) are responsible for identifying and notifying the McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison of potentially eligible, currently enrolled students utilizing the LEA's established referral process throughout the school year

5. 🗆 What is the timeline?

- McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison is notified <u>as soon as reasonably possible</u> of potentially eligible student(s) through the LEA's staff referral procedure
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison conducts the eligibility determination and needs assessment interview with the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth as soon as reasonably possible
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison determines whether the child or youth is McKinney-Vento eligible, or ineligible based on all information collected as soon as reasonably possible
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison records the eligibility status for each eligible student in the student information system (SIS) as <u>soon as</u> <u>reasonably possible</u>
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Cycle I, MR5 Data Collection Task E			
Data Collection Task	Rationale	Resources	
E. What is the process for identifying Homeless Children and Youth for both the previous school year and the upcoming new school year? Include the timeline and who is involved in this process.	The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act mandates that LEAs remove educational barriers for children and youth experiencing homelessness through identification, immediate enrollment, eligibility determination for services and school placement, and a written eligibility determination notification to inform parents, guardians, and youth of their eligibility for services, school placement, and right to dispute the determination of eligibility for services and school placement. The LEA must demonstrate that its established written internal procedure includes all required elements to increase awareness and continually remove barriers to the identification, immediate enrollment, attendance, and academic success for the duration of homelessness of identified children and youth experiencing homelessness across school years.	 End of Year & Re-Eligibility (specific resources) Re-Eligibility Determination Guidance & Resources ADE End of Year Notification Letter Sample General Re-Eligibility Timelines April - A plan for summer school and continued services after the last instructional day of the current school year May - Timeline for when the EOY Notification will be sent to eligible families and unaccompanied homeless youth June - When summer school is in session, the LEA conducts follow-up case management. After July 1st - LEA begins re-eligibility determinations and establishes services to take effect by the first instructional day of the new school year August (once school is in session) - LEA continues re-eligibility determinations and establishes services 	
Success Criteria & Evaluation			

Previous School Year

End of Year Procedure

- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison utilizes the internal tracking sheet and/or other reports (i.e., AzEDS HEP72) to develop a list of eligible parents, guardians, caregivers, and youth to track the distribution of the End of Year (EOY) notification letter
 - The list should also include the number and method of attempts to provide the EOY Notification Letter to eligible parents, guardians, caregivers, and youth
 - The list should be used to prioritize the follow-up case management utilizing the sequencing detailed below:
 - o Unaccompanied homeless youth (UHY)
 - o Students living in shelters
 - o Students who are unsheltered
 - o Students living in hotels/motels
 - o Students who are doubled-up
 - The list of eligible parents, guardians, caretakers, and youth should also be used to record communication advising that the EOY notification letter was sent and document updates to housing circumstances

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- Prior to the last instructional day, the McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison distributes the EOY notification letter, Arizona student residency questionnaire (AZ SRQ) educational rights of homeless children and youth, McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison contact information, and the description and timeline for re-evaluating McKinney-Vento eligibility for the upcoming school year.
 - Below are the following items that must be provided distributed by the McKinney-Vento Liaison:
 - EOY Letter including the description of the LEA's re-evaluation process and timeline for the upcoming school year
 - McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison contact information
 - The Arizona Student Residency Questionnaire (AZ SRQ)
 - Educational Rights of Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness

New School Year

□ <u>Re-Eligibility Determination Process</u>

- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison reviews the information shared about each student's housing circumstances, conducts the re-eligibility determination and needs assessment interviews, and determines McKinney-Vento eligibility prior to the first instructional day of the new school year
 - Parents, guardians, caregivers, or youth notifying the McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison if they are still experiencing homelessness utilizing the reevaluation process provided in the EOY Notification Letter
 - The completion and return of Arizona Student Residency Questionnaires (AZ SRQs) to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison for students who were determined to be eligible the previous school year as part of the re-evaluation process
 - However, if a returning student who may still be experiencing homelessness does not complete the Arizona SRQ, the student's continued eligibility for the upcoming school year must still be determined
 - Referrals from school staff (i.e., registrars, etc.) and outside entities (i.e., community-based organizations, shelters, SEA, etc.) if previously eligible students are still experiencing homelessness
 - The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison should utilize the internal tracking sheet and/or other reports (i.e., AzEDS HEP72) from the previous school year to log communication attempts for each previously identified student
 - The student is <u>immediately enrolled</u> in school, and services and supports are put in place to ensure the student's full participation even if reeligibility has not yet been determined
- □ The McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison records only eligible students in the LEA's student information system (SIS) as soon as reasonably possible after making the eligibility determination
 - Even if the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth denies services, all eligible students are required to be reported in the LEA's SIS
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Determination Notification & Educational Rights

The written notice of eligibility and school placement determination, along with the educational rights of children and youth experiencing homelessness, is provided to the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth <u>as soon as reasonably possible</u> after determining eligibility or ineligibility

- More than one attempt may be necessary to provide the written notice of eligibility and school placement, and educational rights of children and youth to the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth
- After the eligibility and school placement determination has been made, the McKinney-Vento eligibility for the child or youth applies for duration of the school year
 - o Even if the parent, guardian, caregiver, or youth denies services, eligibility remains for the duration of the school year
- Children and youth who are determined to be ineligible can be re-evaluated at any point during the school year