

**INSTRUCTION**

**BP 6173 Education for Homeless Children**

The Governing Board desires to ensure that homeless students have access to the same free and appropriate public education provided to other students within the county office of education. The county office of education shall provide homeless students with access to education and other services necessary for these students to meet the same challenging academic standards as other students.

Homeless students shall not be segregated into a separate school or program based on their status as homeless and shall not be stigmatized in any way.

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that placement decisions for homeless students are based on the student's best interest as defined in law and administrative regulation.

(cf. 5111.13 - Residency for Homeless Children)

Transportation

In accordance with the law the county office of education shall provide transportation for a homeless student to and from his/her school of origin when the parent/guardian requests that such transportation be provided (42 USC 11432)

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)

Legal Reference: E.C. §§ 2558.2, 39807.5, 51870  
20 USC Title 42 §11431-11435

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