


HOWARD GARDNER MULTIPLE INTELLIGENCE CHARTER SCHOOL

	Students/Families	SF17-1002
	Homeless Students Policy	<p>ADOPTED DATE: October 17, 2017</p> <p>REVIEWED DATE:</p> <p>REVISED DATE:</p>

1. Authority SC 1306 Title 22 Sec 11.18 42 U.S.C. Sec. 11431 et seq
 The Board recognizes its obligation to ensure that homeless students have access to educational programs and services. The Board shall make reasonable efforts to encourage their enrollment and eliminate existing barriers to their attendance and education, in compliance with federal and state law.

2. Definitions 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1143a
 Homeless Students are defined as individuals lacking a fixed, regular and nighttime residence, which include the following conditions:
 1. Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing or economic hardship, or similar reason.
 2. Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks or camping grounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations.
 3. Living in emergency, transitional or domestic violence shelters.
 4. Abandoned in hospitals.
 5. Awaiting foster care placement.
 6. Living in public, or private places not designed for or ordinarily used as regular sleeping accommodations for human beings.
 7. Living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, transportation stations or similar settings.
 8. Living as migratory children in conditions described in previous examples.
 9. Living as run-away children, abandoned or forced out of homes by parents/guardians or caretakers, or separated from parents/guardians for any other reason.
 10. Living as school age parents/guardians in houses for school age parents/guardians if they have no other living accommodations.

3. Delegation of Responsibility 42 U.S.C. Sec. 11432
 The Board designates the Executive Director or designee to serve as HGMICS’s liaison for homeless students and families.

4. Guidelines 42 U.S.C. Sec. 11432
 Students shall not be discriminated against, segregated nor stigmatized based on their status as homeless.

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References: School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1306

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 11.18, 403.1McKinney-Vento Act – 20 U.S.C.

Sec. 6301 et seq.

Education For Homeless Children – 42 U.S.C. Sec. 11431 et seq.

Family Educational Rights and Privacy, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations – 34CFR Part 99

Guidelines for Enrollment of Homeless Children – Federal Register, 67 Fed. Reg.10698

PA Education for Homeless Children and Youth State Plan