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What homeless parents need to know about student education

ACTION FOR CHILDREN IN TRANSITION





If your family is experiencing homelessness, your children have the right to:

- receive a free, appropriate public education.
- continue learning at their school of origin.
- transfer to a school closer to where they are residing, as long as it is feasible, and the parent or guardian feels it is in the best interest of the child.
- receive transportation to school (yellow bus or RTA Transit Card) if they live:
  - more than one mile from a K-6 elementary school.
  - more than one mile from a grade 7–12 school (RTA Transit Card).

NOTE: Transportation will be provided to and from the school of origin, if requested.

- enroll and attend classes even if they do not have:
  - a birth certificate.
  - immunization or school records.
- receive and participate in the same special services and programs as provided to all other children in the District.



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 Family Literacy Programs that capture the joy of reading for children and their families

• Staff Development Workshops for District personnel focusing on the needs of homeless children and youth

violence shelters

 Libraries in the shelters and new books for all children and youth residing in homeless and domestic

- Career and vocational assessment for teens
- Advocacy for parents and students in the schools

• Identification and referral of special-needs children for Early Childhood screening and intervention services

support services

 Programming for Early Childhood, school-age and adolescents at 15 sites, incorporating homework assistance, tutoring, educational enrichment and

A 24-hour Helpline for shelter providers offers instant
access to the Cleveland Metropolitan School District's
Project ACT to register students, obtain school
assignments and arrange for transportation services for
homeless children and youth

Here are some examples of the services that Project ACT provides:

What parents of families experiencing homelessness need to know:

# To register your child for school, you will need:

- your child's birth certificate
- immunization records
- Project ACT can help you obtain these documents for your child, if necessary

# School Records

- your child's previous school records, if available
- Project ACT can help you obtain school records
- assist students in transferring partial credits to a new school

# **Special Programs**

- your child has the right to participate in extracurricular activities and the right to enter into special programs the school offers such as:
  - gifted and talented
- free breakfast and lunch

# School Enrollment

- your child may remain in his or her school of origin, or may be assigned to a school closer to where you are staying. Students will receive transportation if they are more than one mile away for K-grade 6 or more than one mile for grade 7-12 (RTA Transit Card)
- children in grades K-6 must have a parent/ guardian accompany them on RTA
- If the District believes the school you selected is not in the best interest of your child, you will be provided a written explanation and informed of your right to appeal the decision.

# Kindergarten

 children who will be 5 years old on or before September 30 need to be enrolled in Kindergarten



Support services include everything necessary to accomplish the goal of meeting students' physical, social and emotional needs, and empowering parents to support their children in this endeavor. All appropriate resources from the Cleveland Metropolitan School District are employed to achieve this goal.

The Cleveland Metropolitan School
District's Project ACT provides direct
instructional and support services to
children and youth residing in temporary
emergency shelters, transitional housing
and doubled-up students staying with other
families due to loss of housing, economic
hardship or similar situations. A holistic
and comprehensive approach is used to
deliver instructional and support services
necessary to facilitate the homeless child's
transition into school and to ensure the
child's success and ongoing participation in
the educational system.

# What parents can do to improve the academic success of their children:

- Make sure your child attends school each day.
- Read with your child for at least 20 minutes each day.
- Make education a family priority.
- Help your child develop good study and work habits.
- Meet with your child's teacher and other school personnel.
- Show and tell your child that you love him/her.
- If you move, notify the school office and Project ACT of your departure date and initiate records transfer.
- It is important for your child to say goodbye to friends and teachers.

The McKinney-Vento Act and Title 1 Part A, as ammended by the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015, ensures educational rights and protections for your children experiencing homelessness.





# Important Emergency Phone Numbers for Cleveland and Cuyahoga County

Project ACT | 1111 Superior Avenue (2nd Floor) | Cleveland, Ohio 44114 **216.838.0210** | info@projectact.com

<b>EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER</b>	S
AIDS Hotline/CDC Info	800.232.4636
Ambulance/EMS	911 or 216.664.2555
Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline	216.696.KIDS (5437)
Journey Center for Safety and Healing	
Domestic Violence Hotline 24 hours	216.391.HELP (4357)
Fire Emergency	911 or 216.621.1212
First Call for Help	211 or 216.436.2000
National Missing & Exploited Children	800.843.5678
Police Emergency	911 or 216.621.1234
Poison Information Center	800.222.1222
Rape Crisis Center	216.619.6192
Runaway Hotline (teen)1.800	).RUNAWAY (786.2929)
Suicida Hatlina	988

Witness/Victim Service Center.....216.443.7345 24-Hour CMSD Safety & Security ......216.838.7777 24-Hour Mobile Crisis Team for Youth ......216.623.6888

#### **CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN SCHOOLS**

CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN SCHO	OLS
Academics Office	216.838.0100
Attendance Office	216.838.0220
Autism, Health, Multiple Disabilities	216.838.0212
Back To School Information	216.838.5437
Central Administration - 1111 Superior	216.838.0000
Chief Executive Officer	216.838.0090
Compensatory Education: Title I	
Early Childhood Education/PreK	
(curriculum/school readiness)	216.838.0110
Family/Community Engagement FACE	216.838.3223
Food & Child Nutrition Services	
Gifted Education/Advanced Placement	216.838.0131
Health Services	216.838.0270
Hearing & Appeals	216.838.0235
Home Instruction	
Home Schooling (central office)	216.838.0200
Multilingual/Multicultural Education	216.838.6972
Nurse	
Ombudsman	216.838.0348
Ombudsman	216.838.0347
Parent Mentor	216.838.0345
Project ACT: Homeless Children & Youth	216.838.0210
Project ACT: Foster Enrollment	216.838.0210
Rapid Response Team (mental health)	216.838.2273
Record Retention	216.838.0203
Safety & Security Main Office	216.838.0420
Safety & Security-Emergency (24 hrs)	216.838.7777
Say Yes Cleveland	216.273.6350
School Parent Organization	216.838.0093
Special Education (main office)	216.838.7733
Student Assignments/Registration/	
School Choice Enrollment	216.838.5437
Transcripts (contact graduating school/call)	216.838.5437
Uniform Info & Assistance	
Voluntaors	

# **SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION**

East 49th St. Depot/Dispatch - Pick Up/Drop Off.... 216.838.4287

# **COMMUNITY RESOURCES**

ASPE - Poverty Guidelines -

aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines	. 202.690.7858
Beech Brook-Parenting - 1-3 pm on Tuesdays	216.391.4069
Birth Certificates/Vital Statistics	216.664.2315
Birthright of Greater Cleveland	. 216.486.2800
Bishop Cosgrove Center	216.781.8262
City of Cleveland	. 216 664.2000
City Mission - 5310 Carnegie Ave	216.431.3510
College Now Greater Cleveland	
County Office of Homeless Services	216.420.6844
Diaper Bank of Greater Cleveland (DBGC) -	
www.diaperbankgc.org/our-partners/	
Flashfood (www.flashfood.com/en/download)	
Free Birth Certificate & State ID Westside Catho	lic
Call for an appointment	216.631.4741
Help Me Grow	216.698.7500
Juvenile Court (Cuyahoga) - 9300 Quincy	. 216.443.8400
Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Community	
Center of Greater Cleveland - 6600 Detroit	216.651.5428
Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless	
(neoch.org)	
Playhouse Square Foundation	216.771.4444
Probate Court - 1 W Lakeside	216.443.8764
RTA	216.621.9500
Lyft: www.lyft.com/rider	
Uber: help.uber.com/riders	
Say Yes Cleveland	216.273.6350
Social Security	800.772.1213
Spanish American Committee	216.961.2100
United States Postal Service	800.275.8777
Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging	216.621.0303
areaagingsolutions.org/programs-services/farmers-	market/

# **CLOTHING**

Shoes and Clothes for Kids	.216.881.7463
West Side Catholic Center - 3135 Lorain Ave	216.631.4741

WIC (Women, Infants, Children) ......216.957.WIC1 (9421)

#### COUNSELING/MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Applewood Centers - Applewoodcenters.org	216.696.5800
Beech Brook Counseling Services - Beechbrook.org	
Bellefaire Homeless Youth Hotline	
Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau - Bellefairejcb.org	g 216.932.2800
Catholic Charities Services -	
clevelandcatholiccharities.org	216.939.3737
Catholic Social Services	216.631.3499
Center for Families & Children -	
www.thecentersohio.org	216.432.7200
Cleveland Christian Home for Children	
CLE Rape Crisis Center 24/7 Referral	216.619.6192
Cleveland Mediation Center	
Emergency Psychiatric Services - Adults	216.363.2538
Journey Center for Safety & Healing	
(Formerly Bellflower Domestic Violence & Child Advocac	cy Center)
Family Helpline	216.229.8800
Family Helpline24 Emergency CV Helpline	
24 Emergency CV Helpline	216.391.HELP
24 Emergency CV Helpline OhioGuidestone (mental health services)	216.391.HELP
24 Emergency CV Helpline	216.391.HELP 440.234.2006
24 Emergency CV Helpline	216.391.HELP 440.234.2006 216.361.2441
24 Emergency CV Helpline	216.391.HELP 440.234.2006 216.361.2441 216.361.4400
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24 Emergency CV Helpline	216.391.HELP 440.234.2006 216.361.2441 216.361.4400 216.623.6555 216.623.6888 216.283.4400 216.861.6200
24 Emergency CV Helpline	216.391.HELP 440.234.2006 216.361.2441 216.361.4400 216.623.6555 216.623.6888 216.283.4400 216.861.6200

### **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - hhs.cuyahogacounty.us** Children and Family Services ......216.431.4500 PRC-Emergency Financial Help ......216.987.7000 ext. 2

#### **DRUG & ALCOHOL SERVICES**

Al-Anon	
Alcohol/Drug Resource Hotline	1.800.ALCOHOL (252.6465)
Alcoholics Anonymous	216.241.7387
Community Assessment and Treatment .	216.441.0200
Community Action Against Addiction	216.881.0765
New Directions (Youth)	216.591.0324
Recovery Resources	216.431.4131

# **EMPLOYMENT & JOB READINESS**

Employment Connection - 9830 Lorain Rd	216.939.2399
Towards Employment - 1255 Euclid #300	. 216.696.5750
Urban League - 2930 Prospect	.216.622.0999
Youth Opportunities Unlimited (teens 14-19) - 1361 Euclid.	.216.566.5445

# **FAMILY AND PARENTING SERVICES**

Center for Families & Children	216.432./200
Child Abuse/Neglect	216.696 KIDS (5437)
Domestic Violence & Family Hotline	216.391.4357
Fatherhood Initiative	216.698.2869
Planned Parenthood - Cleveland	216.961.8804
Starting Point For Child Care and Early Education	800.880.0971
WIC (Women, Infants, Children)	.216.957.WIC1 (9421)

# **HEAD START PROGRAMS**

Head Start Program	216.334.2945
Catholic Charities	216.334.2945
Center for Families & Children	216.432.7200
Center for Family & Children Services	216.651.2037
Head Start (CEOGC)	216.589.9922
Ministerial Head Start	216.881.6924
Neighborhood Centers Association	216.298.4440

Brookside Center (10 am - 2 pm) - 3784 Pearl Road ............. 216.749.4295

#### **HEALTH CLINICS AND INFORMATION** Aids Task Force - aidstaskforce.org/......216.621.0766

Care Alliance (Mon - Fri 8 am - 4:30 pm) -

1530 St Claire Ave	216.535.9100
Collinwood Health Center - 15322 St. Clair Ave	216.851.1500
Mon - Fri 8:30 am - 5:30 pm	
Free Clinic - 12201 Euclid Ave	216.721.4010
Mon - Thurs 10 am - 9 pm; Fri 10 am - 6 pm by app	ointment
Thurs - Walk-in's welcome. www.thefreeclinic.org	g/
HIV Testing: 1 - 3 pm and 4 - 7 pm, no Fridays	
Teen Clinic (14 - 21 years) walk-in's - Mon and Tues on	ly. Must arrive at 1 pm
J. Glen Smith (Free Immunizations) - 11100 St. Clair	216.957.5600
Walk-in's accepted Thur 8 - 11 am, 2nd & 4th Tues of eve	ery month from 4 - 7 pm
McCafferty Health Center (Free Immunizations) -	
4242 Lorain Ave	216.651.5005
Metro Broadway Health Center - 6835 Broadway	216.957.1500
Metro Health (general number)	800.554.5251
Miles Broadway Health Center (Free Immunizations	) -
9127 Miles Ave	216.323.6544

# **HOUSING RESOURCES**

**NEON Health Center** 

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211 First Call for HELP - United Way	216.436.2000
http://211cleveland.org/	211

8300 Hough Ave ......216.231.7700 SE Medical Center - 13301 Miles Ave......216.751.3100

Superior Health Center - 12100 Superior...... 216.851.2600

Cleveland Housing Network	216.574.7100
CMHA - Cmha.net	216.348.5000
EHEAP and Housing Office	216.263.6266
Enterprise Community Partners	216.631.0280
May Dugan Center - West Side Residents	216.631.5800
Step Forward Ohio (Main number)	216.696.9077
Central Neighborhood Opportunity Center	216.357.2621
Southeast Neighborhood Opportunity Center.	216.858.1781

#### **LEGAL SERVICES**

Milton A. Kramer Law Clinic Center at Case Wes	stern University
lawclinic@case.edu	216.368.2766
Legal Aid - 1223 W 6th St http://lasclev.org/	216.687.1900
Right to Counsel (for evictions)	216.687.1900
Cleveland State University Legal Clinic	
www.law.csuohio.edu/lawlibrary/legaladvice	ecleveland

**Antioch Baptist** - 8869 Cedar Ave ......216.421.1516

#### **MEAL SITES LOCATIONS**

Mon. 4 pm. Tues & Thurs 11 am

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Cosgrove Center (Catholic Charities) -	
1736 Superior & E 18th	216.781.8262
Breakfast 8-9 am - Lunch Noon -1:30 pm	
Closed second Monday of the month	
Faith Baptist Community - 2355 E 55	216.881.8816
Wed. Only Lunch 11:45 am - 1 pm	
Near West - 3610 Bridge Ave	216.281.5854
Tues, Wed, Thurs Doors open 4:30 pm - Meals Sei	rved at 5:30
St. Augustine Ctr 2486 W 14th St	216.781.5530
Mon-Fri. 7:30 am - 8:30 am, 11am - 12:30 pm, and 4:30	pm - 5:50 pm
Closed first week of every month.	
St. Herman's - 4410 Franklin Blvd	216.961.3806
6:30 am, Breakfast - 11:15 pm, Lunch - 5:15 pm, Sup	per
St. Malachi - 2459 W 25th & Detroit	216.861.5343
Pastries, coffee and sandwiches only - 8:30 am - 3	pm

Sundays & Holidays 8:30 am -1 pm
<b>St. Vincent DePaul</b> - 6001 Woodland
Friday only. Register 6:40 am - 10 am.
(formerly Brother Hubbard's Cupboard)

Distribution between 8:30 am - 11:30 am	
Trinity Cathedral - 2230 Euclid	216.771.3630
Sunday Lunch 12 noon	
Westside Catholic - 3135 Lorain Ave	216 621 /17/11

The Centers Behavioral Health Urgent Care .... 216.325.WELL(9355) East Office - 4400 Euclid Ave

Breakfast - 9 am, Lunch - Noon. Weekdays only

Gordon Square Office - 5209 Detroit Ave Uptown Office - 12201 Euclid Ave

# **UTILITY INFORMATION**

Cleveland Public Power	216.664.4600
Dominion East Ohio	800.362.7557
The Illuminating Company	800.589.310
Water Department (Main)	216.664.3130
(Emergency)	216.664.3060

#### **SHELTER RESOURCES** Bishop Cosgrove Building

1736 Superior Avenue (2nd floor)	216.674.6700
Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 am - 8 pm	
To be placed in a shelter, you must complete an in	take "over the phone only
for Coordinated Intake	216.674.6700
Weekend/After Hours:	
call 211 about shelter options	211 or 216.436.2000
Family Shelters	
Family Promise (East & West Side)	216.767.4060
Laura's Home	216.472.5500
West Side Catholic Center	216.631.4141
Zelma George Shelter	216.781.3773
Single Women Shelters	
Norma Herr Women's Cente	216.479.0020
Laura's Home	216.472.5500
Season of Hope (overnight drop in center)	216.421-0536
Single Men Shelters	
City Mission	216.431.3510
LMM - 2100 Lakeside	216.566.0047
St. Herman's House of Hospitality	
Volunteers of America (18-24 yr old)	216.621.0120
Volunteers of America (VETS only)	216.541.9000

# OTHER CHELTER ORTHONIC

OTHER SHELTER OPTIONS	
Children and Youth	
Broken Connections	216.721.9527
Providence House (crisis nursery)	216.651.5982
Domestic Violence Shelter (women and	children)
Brenda Glass Trauma Center	440.836.2576
Journey Center for Safety and Healing	216.391.HELP (4357)
Additional Women's Resources	
Hitchcock House	216.421.0662
Zelie's Home (pregnant women) -	
www.zelieshome.org/contact	440.886.2620
Zelie's Home (intake line)	216.282.8053

