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To: Homeless Liaisons

From: Leanne Wheeler, State Coordinator
McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act Program
Title I Policy and Partnerships Office

Re: Homeless Data Collection for California

The McKinney-Vento Act Program Statute (42 USC 11431 et seq.) requires all local educational agencies (LEAs) to identify and immediately enroll homeless students. For purposes of identification, the Statute provides a definition for homeless students. Homeless students are defined by the student's nighttime residence (42 USC 11434a). Therefore, since the reauthorization of the Elementary Secondary Education Act (ESEA) under the *No Child Left Behind Act* of 2001 (NCLB), all LEAs are required to report the enrollment count of homeless students disaggregated by school level and their primary nighttime residence on an annual basis. Local liaisons are responsible for ensuring homeless students are identified by school personnel and through other sources.

We realize it may be difficult for some LEAs to have accurate numbers of homeless students for 2003-2004. However, the statutory requirement for all LEAs to have a local liaison to identify homeless students has been in effect for **over two years**. We are confident that LEAs will use their best judgment in reporting the data for this school year (2003-2004) and will be able to provide more accurate information in succeeding years.

Your cooperation is appreciated in providing the following data for 2003-04 by **September 1, 2004**. Use Attachment A to fax your responses to the Title I Policy and Partnerships Office at (916) 319-0151, or e-mail to Karen Lints at Klints@cde.ca.gov. For additional guidance, please contact one of the following: Leanne Wheeler at (916) 319-0383, Lucille Gonzales at (916) 319-0940, or Karen Lints at (916) 319-0384.

Attachment

Fax or email by September 1, 2004
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NUMBER OF HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN THE LEA

1. Provide the number of homeless children and youth in your LEA enrolled in public school during the 2003-2004 school year according to grade level groups* below:

School Level	Number of homeless children and youth enrolled in public school
K-5	91
6-8	38
9-12	11
Total	140

**Total separate grade levels and then recombine totals for reporting the information requested above.*

2. Provide the total number of homeless children and youth, excluding preschoolers, in your LEA who have the following as their primary night time residence during the 2003-2004 school year:

Primary night time residence	Number of homeless children and youth, excluding preschoolers
Shelters	7
Doubled-up/Tripled-up	94
Unsheltered (e.g., cars, parks, campgrounds, etc.)	13
Hotels/Motels	9
Other	16