

## Are you lacking a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence due to:

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- Abandonment
- Natural disaster
- Death of a parent/guardian
- Domestic violence
- Eviction
- Fire
- Hospitalization of a parent/guardian
- Incarceration of a parent/guardian
- Decrease in or loss of income
- Separation from family



## Local Resources

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### Mifflin County School District

Michelle R. Siruc  
Homelessness Liaison  
(717) 248-0148, Ext. 2546

### Mifflin Juniata Human Services

20 N Wayne Street Lewistown, PA  
17044  
(717) 242-5452

## Regional, State, and National Resources

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### ECYEH Region 3 Coordinator

Sonia Pitzi  
(717) 718-5924  
[slpitz@iu12.org](mailto:slpitz@iu12.org)

### Pennsylvania's Department of Education

[www.pde.state.pa.us/homelessness](http://www.pde.state.pa.us/homelessness)

### Pennsylvania's Education for Children & Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program (ECYEH)

<http://homeless.center-school.org>

### National Center for Homeless Education

<https://nche.ed.gov>

# Understanding Educational Rights of Students Experiencing Homelessness

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A Guide for Students and Parents in the Mifflin County School District



## McKinney-Vento Homelessness Assistance Act

Ensures educational rights and protections for children and youth experiencing homelessness.

These rights and protections include:

- ✓ School stability
- ✓ School access, which includes, full participation in school and extra-curricular activities
- ✓ Support for academic success

## Services & Supports

If you are experiencing any of the challenges listed, your child may qualify for the following supports and services:

- Right to stay in school of origin
- Referrals for medical, dental, or other health services
- Transportation to school
- Assistance with participation in school programs
- Coordination between schools and agencies
- Counseling
- School supplies
- Referral to other programs and services



**Please contact your child's guidance counselor for more information.**

East Derry Elementary School  
Eric Bowden  
(717) 543-5615

Indian Valley Elementary School  
Erin Campbell  
(717) 667-2123

Lewistown Elementary School  
Kimberly Kauffman  
(717) 242-5823

Lewistown Intermediate School  
Brittany Smith  
(717) 242-5801

Strodes Mills Elementary School  
Alexis DiDomenico  
(717) 248-7154

Mifflin County Middle School  
Jane Foor  
Andy McCardell  
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Mifflin County Junior High School  
Shain Hosterman  
Kristine Johnston  
(717) 248-5441

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Stefanie Gilbert  
Bridget Kennington  
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