

**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 school counselor for more information.**

East Derry Elementary School  
Jessica Treaster  
(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  
(717) 242-1401

Mifflin County Junior High School  
Lisa Kile  
Kristine Johnston  
(717) 248-5441

Mifflin County High School  
Stefanie Gilbert  
Bridget Kennington  
Elizabeth Girts  
(717) 242-0240