

(b) The determination of a homeless child's school district of origin shall be made by the chief school administrator or designee of the school district(s) involved pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:17-2.5 based upon information received from the parent, the Department of Human Services or the Department of Children and Families, a shelter provider, another school district, an involved agency or a case manager.

(c) The district board of education identified as the school district of origin in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7B-12 for a homeless child shall be the school district of origin for as long as the parent remains homeless.

Amended by R.2004 d.185, effective May 3, 2004.

See: 35 N.J.R. 5469(a), 36 N.J.R. 2195(b).

Substituted "origin" for "residence" and "resident" throughout.

Amended by R.2007 d.146, effective May 7, 2007.

See: 38 N.J.R. 5217(a), 39 N.J.R. 1698(a).

Section was "Responsibilities of the district of origin". Inserted "school" preceding "district" throughout; and in (b), inserted "or the Department of Children and Families".

6A:17-2.5 Designation of school district liaisons and their responsibilities

(a) The chief school administrator of each school district shall identify a school district liaison for the education of the homeless children. The school district liaison shall:

1. Facilitate communication and cooperation between the school district of origin and the school district where the homeless child is temporarily residing;

2. Develop procedures to ensure that a homeless child temporarily residing in the school district is enrolled and attending school pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:17-2.6;

3. Ensure that homeless families, children and youth receive educational services for which such families, children and youth are eligible, including Head Start and Even Start programs and preschool programs administered by the local education agency, and referrals to health care services, dental services, mental health services, and other appropriate services;

4. Inform parents and guardians of homeless children and youth of the educational and related opportunities available to their children and ensure that they are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children;

5. Ensure that public notice of the educational rights of homeless children and youth is disseminated where such children receive services, such as schools, family shelters and soup kitchens;

6. Ensure that enrollment disputes are mediated pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:17-2.8;

7. Ensure that the parent or guardian of a homeless child or youth, or any unaccompanied youth, is fully in-

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