

**HOW THE REGION 2
ECYEH PROGRAM
CAN HELP:**

- HELP** with school enrollment and placement
- PROVIDE** community referrals
- COORDINATE** transportation and support services
- IMPLEMENT** tutoring and enrichment services
- ASSIST** with obtaining supplies necessary for school
- SUPPLY** training and outreach to school districts, families, and communities

For assistance or more information, contact our regional office at 610-987-8509 or 800-510-2741.

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Berks County Intermediate Unit
an educational service agency

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Gillingham Charter School Homeless Liaison:

Connie Yutko (Certified School Nurse) 570-955-3830 x112

**Consistency counts
in education!**



Children experiencing homelessness have the right to a stable education and we can help put them on the path to success.

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Every child deserves school stability.

Our team is committed to ensuring that all students experiencing homelessness have the opportunity to succeed in school. We eliminate barriers to education, educate the community about the nature of homelessness, and provide support to schools, families, and communities.

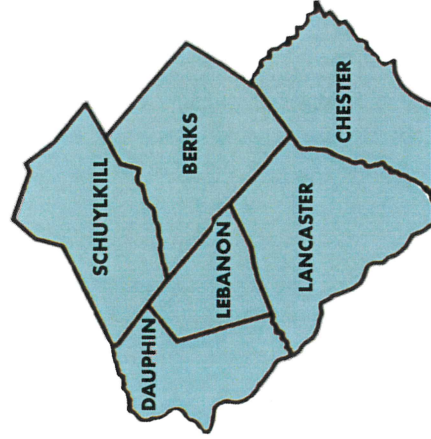
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The Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness program (ECYEH) is an initiative of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, and is based on the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. This federal legislation ensures that homeless children and youth have access to a free, appropriate, public education.

The **ECYEH program in Region 2** serves Berks, Chester, Dauphin, Lancaster, Lebanon, and Schuylkill counties and is administered by the Berks County Intermediate Unit.



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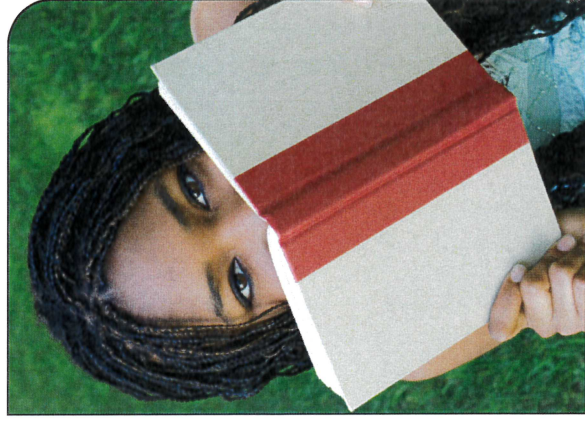
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MCKINNEY-VENTO ACT

Children and youth are eligible for services under the **McKinney-Vento Act** if they have been displaced from their homes and are living in a place that is not fixed, regular, or adequate, such as:

- Sharing the housing of others due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason
- In a place not designated as regular sleeping accommodation, such as a vehicle, park, hotel, or campground
- In a homeless or domestic violence shelter or transitional housing placement
- Outside of his/her home as an unaccompanied youth
- Awaiting foster care
- In any of the situations listed above as the child of a migrant family



YOUR RIGHTS

Children and youth experiencing homelessness have the right to:

- Continue their education in their current school, and receive transportation OR enroll immediately in the school where they are temporarily housed, even if lacking the paperwork normally required
- Participate in all applicable school programs, including supplemental services
- Receive free lunch
- Receive assistance with school-related expenses such as supplies, clothing, uniforms, etc.