

BEND-LA PINE SCHOOLS

Administrative School District No. 1

Deschutes County, Oregon

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY

Name: Homeless Students & Students in Foster Care

Section: Required Policies

Code: JECBD-AP

Homeless students and students placed in foster care in the district will have access to the education and other services needed to ensure that an opportunity is available to meet the same academic achievement standards to which all students are held.

A liaison for students in homeless situations will be designated by the district to carry out duties as required by law. The district will also appoint a foster care point of contact to carry out the duties required by law with respect to children in foster care.

The district will not stigmatize nor segregate homeless students or students in foster care on the basis of their status as homeless or their placement in foster care. A homeless student will be admitted to the district school in the attendance area in which the student is actually living or to the student's school of origin as requested by the parent and in accordance with the student's best interests. Students in foster care will remain in their school of origin unless a court determines that it is in the best interest of the student to move to the school district where the foster home is located. The district will permit a student who exits foster care at any point during the school year to continue to attend the same school until the end of the school year.

Transportation will be provided to and from a homeless student's school of origin at the request of the parent, or in the case of an unaccompanied student, the district's liaison for homeless students. The student will be immediately enrolled in the free lunch program. Transportation will be provided to and from a student in foster care's home and school of origin (and subsequent schools of origin) in coordination with the Department of Human Services (DHS). The student will be immediately enrolled in the free lunch program upon receipt of notice from DHS regarding the student's placement in foster care.

The superintendent will develop administrative regulations to implement this policy.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s)

[ORS 109.056](#)[ORS 294.100](#)[ORS 327.006](#)[ORS 339.115](#)[ORS 339.133](#)[ORS 433.267](#)[OAR 581-021-0045](#)[OAR 581-021-0046](#)

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001, P.L. 107-110, 42 U.S.C. Sections 11431-11435

Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015, P.L. 114-345, Title I, Part A

Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008, P.L. 110-351, Title II, Section 204

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99

Letter Opinions, Office of the Attorney General (March 15, April 18, June 30, 1988).

Oregon Department of Education, Memos #23-1988-89, #42-1994-95.

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