



# Homeless Students and Students in Foster Care: What's a School to do? How can Community Agencies help?

## Training Goals:

- Provide education about the school's role in serving homeless students and students who are in foster care
- Develop linkages between school district liaisons and community resource representatives to facilitate referrals for services

## Topics:

- How to identify homeless families/youth, including special populations such as youth in kinship care
- What services are homeless students eligible for at school
- What is the schools' responsibility for homeless youth
- What is the schools' responsibility for services to youth in foster care
- How can community agencies work collaboratively with the schools

Students who are homeless or in foster care face many barriers that can impede their academic achievements and social-emotional growth. They include traumatization, high mobility, behavioral and health conditions, poverty and other adverse childhood experiences.

Join us as we hear from education and homelessness advocates to discuss the Federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, and how custodial and other relevant agencies can collaborate to ensure school staff are prepared to help and ensure student success.

**Where:** Warren County Educational Service Center  
Conference Center

**When:** Friday, March 9, 2018

**Time:** 1 - 3 PM

**Register at:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/homeless-students-and-students-in-foster-care-tickets-43041964675>

## Who should attend?

- School District representatives and appointed liaisons
- Community Service Organizations who provide services to families with school age children such as:
  - Food banks
  - Homeless Shelters
  - Metropolitan Housing
  - Head Start, Preschools, Child Care Centers
  - Children's Services
  - Job and Family Service Workers
  - Ohio Means Jobs
  - Juvenile Court
  - CASA
  - Guardian Ad Litem
  - Kinship Service Providers
  - Foster Care Providers
  - Parent Advocates
  - Behavioral Health providers
  - Social Service organizations
  - School Resource Coordinators

## Presenters:

- Susannah Wayland, State Homeless Education Coordinator
- Tom Capretta, Family and Children Community Coordinator
- Center for Accountability and Continuous Improvement, Ohio Department of Education

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