

**MAHANoy AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
1 GOLDEN BEAR DRIVE  
MAHANoy CITY, PA 17948**

**Regular Meeting  
Immediately following Workshop – October 24, 2018**

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The regular meeting of the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education was held on the above date in the High School Large Group Instruction (LGI) Room with President Jay Hanley presiding and Secretary Nancy Boyle serving as recorder. The meeting was recorded for secretarial purposes.

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

President Jay Hanley called the workshop to order at 6:10 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance and also reported that an executive session was held prior for personnel reasons.

Presentation of Students of the Month for September were introduced by Mr. Sabol—Madison Cavenas and Colin Fegley. Also introduced was Schuylkill Technology Center South Campus October Student of the Month Makayla Lehman, Culinary Arts Program. President Hanley congratulated the students for their many accomplishments and involvement in many activities then excused them and their parents from the meeting.

Mr. Hurst then presented the budget and finance items on the agenda and introduced Mr. Rhoades from Alfred Benesch, Pottsville, PA who spoke about the proposal of track repairs, coordinating repairs with Nagel Track and identifying long term options. Drainage issues would also be investigated at the football field, baseball field and softball field. Dr. Green then reviewed the rest of the items on the agenda.

President Hanley called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**C. ROLL CALL**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Nancy Boyle	<input type="checkbox"/> AB Mr. Dan Lynch
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Gary Gnall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Michael Mistishen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Steve Gnall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Jim Mitchell
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Jay Hanley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mrs. Karen Yedsena
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. John Honus	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Present/ <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Absent

**Others in attendance include –  
10 Citizens and the following Mahanoy Area School District personnel**

X   Joie L. Green  
*Superintendent*

  X   John G. Dean, Esq.  
*Solicitor*

  X   John J. Hurst  
*Business Administrator*

  X   Stanley Sabol  
*Jr/Sr. High School Principal*

  X   David Holman  
*Assistant Jr/Sr. High School Principal*

  X   Michael Heater  
*Elementary Principal*

  AB   Lisa Broomell  
*Assistant Elementary School Principal*

  AB   Brandy Paul  
*Special Education Director*

  AB   Paul Babinsky  
*Technology Director*

  X   Edward Blazis  
*Facilities Director*

  X   Michele Schappell  
*Food Services Director*

  AB   Jason Burke  
*Transportation Director*

***D. CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS***

Citizen comments on Agenda items only are welcome at this time. Speakers will be recognized by the chair in the order they are listed on the sign-in sheet. Speakers must state their name and place of residence. There is a five minute limit. The Board requests that if there is a group to speak about the same topic, one person should be designated as the spokesperson.

None.

***E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST REGULAR***

(1) Moved by S. Gnall & seconded by Mitchell the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of September 27, 2018 were ACCEPTED, APPROVED, AND FILED for AUDIT.

ALL MEMBERS

Motion:   X   Passes /    Fails

***F. REPORT OF THE TREASURER***

(1) Moved by G. Gnall & seconded by S. Gnall the treasurer's report for the period ending September 2018 was ACCEPTED, APPROVED, AND FILED for AUDIT.

Aye / Nay

  X   /    Mr. Mistishen  
  X   /    Mr. Steve Gnall  
  X   /    Mrs. Boyle  
  X   /    Mr. Hanley  
  X   /    Mrs. Yedsena

Aye/Nay

  AB   /    Mr. Lynch  
  X   /    Mr. Gary Gnall  
  X   /    Mr. Honus  
  X   /    Mr. Mitchell  
  8   /   1   Totals

Motion:   X   Passes/    Fail

***G. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF BILLS***

***a. General Fund***

(1) Moved by Yedsena & seconded by S. Gnall the List of Bills from the General Fund was ACCEPTED, APPROVED FOR PAYMENT, AND FILED for AUDIT.

Aye / Nay		Aye/Nay	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Yedsena	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Steve Gnall
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Honus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Gary Gnall
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Boyle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Lynch
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Mitchell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Hanley
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Mistishen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Totals
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	8 / 1

Motion:  Passes /  Fail

***b. Cafeteria Fund***

(1) Moved by Boyle & seconded by G. Gnall the List of Bills from the Cafeteria Fund was **ACCEPTED, APPROVED FOR PAYMENT, AND FILED** for AUDIT.

Aye / Nay		Aye/Nay	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Lynch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Mistishen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Mitchell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Yedsena
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Boyle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Honus
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Hanley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Steve Gnall
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Gary Gnall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	Totals
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/>	8 / 1

Motion:  Passes /  Fail

***H. FINANCIAL REPORTS***

***a. Student Activities Report***

(1) Moved by Yedsena & seconded by S. Gnall the Student Activities Report was **ACCEPTED, APPROVED, AND FILED** for AUDIT.

ALL MEMBERS  
Motion:  Passes /  Fails

***b. Tax Collector Report***

(1) Moved by S. Gnall & seconded by Mitchell the Tax Collectors' Report was **ACCEPTED, APPROVED, AND FILED** for AUDIT.

ALL MEMBERS  
Motion:  Passes /  Fails

***I. COMMUNICATIONS***

Secretary Boyle reported that (2) two non-teaching application were received.

***J. ACTION ITEMS***

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*A. Budget and Finance – Yedsena, Chair; Mistishen and Lynch*

Moved by Boyle & seconded by G. Gnall the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education **APPROVED** the following as recommended:

Aye / Nay		Aye/Nay	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Hanley		<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Boyle	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Steve Gnall		<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Yedsena	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mistishen		<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Honus	
<u>AB</u> / ___ Mr. Lynch		<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mitchell	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Gary Gnall		<u>8</u> / <u>1</u> Totals	
Motion: <u>X</u> Passes/___ Fail			

- (1) The sale of the following property from the “repository for unsold properties”:

Parcel No.	Location	Twp/Boro	Price	Bidder
48-05-0030.000	607 E Centre Street	Mahanoy City	\$2,184.00	Gloria Zorilla
48-08-0010.000	518 W Centre Street	Mahanoy City	\$400.00	Lee Williams
48-04-0028.000	500 E Railroad Street	Mahanoy City	\$965.00	Damarys Singh
48-04-0370.000	400 E Pine Street	Mahanoy City	\$1,129.00	Linette & James Johnson
48-04-0026.000	500 E Centre Street	Mahanoy City	\$1,279.00	Gloria Zorilla

- (2) Contracting with BerkOne, Bangor, PA for Act 1 application mailings at a cost of \$0.381 per mailing plus postage.
- (3) A contract addendum with John Hurst for the 2018-2019 school year.
- (4) Evans Painting, Ashland, PA to paint the elementary library at a cost of \$2,795.
- (5) A proposal from Alfred Benesch, Pottsville, PA for engineering services related to the synthetic track, football field and baseball fields at a cost of not to exceed \$8,500.00.

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*B. Education and Technology – S.Gnall, Chair; G. Gnall and Honus*

**Moved by Boyle & seconded by Mitchell the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education APPROVED the following as recommended:**

Aye / Nay		Aye / Nay	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Steve Gnall		<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mitchell	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Hanley		<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Yedsena	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Gary Gnall		<u>AB</u> / ___ Mr. Lynch	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Boyle		<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Honus	
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mistishen		<u>8</u> / <u>1</u> Totals	
Motion: <u>X</u> Passes/___ Fail			

- (1) The retirement of Mrs. Nancy Elison, Barnesville, PA as Jr/Sr. High School Principal Secretary effective ~~Monday, December 31, 2018~~ Tuesday, January 1, 2019.
- (2) A medical/family leave of absence, subject to FMLA for employee #1030 from approximately December 5, 2018 for approximately 12 weeks.
- (3) The expulsion of student #6585 beginning October 11, 2018 for not less than one year.
- (4) One half p.m. Act 80 day on October 25, 2018 for professional development.

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*C. Food Services, Property, and Transportation – Mistishen, Chair; G. Gnall and S. Gnall*

**Moved by Yedsena & seconded by G. Gnall the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education**

**APPROVED the following as recommended:**

Aye / Nay		Aye/Nay
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Gary Gnall		<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Yedsena
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mitchell		<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Mistishen
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Honus		<u>X</u> / ___ Mrs. Boyle
<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Hanley		<u>X</u> / ___ Mr. Steve Gnall
<u>AB</u> / ___ Mr. Lynch		<u>8</u> / <u>1</u> Totals
Motion: <u>X</u> Passes/___ Fail		

- (1) The resignation of Ms. Tarkita Reeves, Mahanoy City, PA as Crossing Guard retroactive to October 8, 2018.
- (2) The resignation of Mr. Michael Rose, Minersville, PA as a substitute bus/van driver retroactive to October 17, 2018.
- (3) The Mickey Holland Gymnasium for Mahanoy Bidy Basketball League as per the dates and times on the facility request form. Request made by Mr. Robert McGee, President, Mahanoy Bidy Basketball League. There is a facilities fee of \$50.00 per block of time plus applicable personnel costs for the use of the gymnasium.
- (4) The Jr/Sr. High School Library for Family Reading Night on Thursday, November 1, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Request made by Ms. Tracy Dudash, Federal Program Coordinator.
- (5) The Joe Alansky Gymnasium on Saturday mornings beginning November 3, 2018 to May 4, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for off-season pitching practice. Request made by Jamaal Poslosky, Trustee, Mahanoy City Girls Softball League.
- (6) The Joe Alansky Gymnasium on Saturday mornings beginning January 6, 2018 to May 5, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for softball practice. Request made by Jamaal Poslosky, Trustee, Mahanoy City Girls Softball League.
- (7) The Elementary Cafeteria Friday, November 30, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for grades K-2 dance and from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for grades 3-6 dance. Request made by Tracey Quick, Treasurer, Elementary PTO.
- (8) The use of the district pool retroactive to Saturday, October 20, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for a pool party. Facility fee is \$110.00. Request made by Denise Fantanarosa, Mahanoy City, PA.
- (9) The district pool on the following dates and times for Birthday Pool Parties:

Date	Time	Facilities Fee	Requested by
November 3, 2018	4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	\$165.00	Mr. William Solnoki, Barnesville, PA—Birthday Party
November 17, 2018	1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	\$187.50	Ms. Caitlin DiGiovanni, Frackville, PA—Birthday Party
November 17, 2018	4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	\$110.00	Ms. Jillian Haughney, Mahanoy City, PA—Birthday Party
December 1, 2018	5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	\$165.00	Ms. Kiana Melendez, Mahanoy City, PA—Birthday Party

- (1) Policy 251 - Homeless Students. First Reading – with a correction of the third paragraph under authority to state “for homeless children.”

ALL MEMBERS

Motion:  X  Passes /   Fails

No Items.

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## ***K. REPORTS***

- (1) Report of the Schuylkill IU#29 Representative—President Hanley reported that an Academic League grant was received; the Cohort grant for the Schuylkill Achieve program is continuing; STEM Competition date of March 29, 2019 was chosen.
- (2) Report of the Schuylkill County Area Vocational Technical School (SCAVTS) Representative—President Hanley reported Open House was held and well received; Student of the Month presented by Mr. Sabol; Food Truck venture is being worked on by all students.
- (3) Report of the Mahanoy City Public Library Representative—No report
- (4) Report of the PSBA Liaison—All emails have been forwarded to all Board members. Directors Mistishen and Boyle spoke about their attendance at the PSBA Conference being very interesting and informative.
- (5) Report of the Superintendent—Enrollment: Elementary, 546; Jr/Sr. High School, 420; Vo-Tech, 29; out of district, 32, for a total of 1027. There are 36 regular education cyber/charter school students and 11 special education cyber/charter school students for a total of 47.

### McKinney Vento Homeless Numbers:

As of 10/8/18 the number of current homeless (7 school age students and 1 student under foster care ESSA ) Totals so far for the School Year 2018/2019 there are 8 preschool and 18 students and 1 student under foster care ESSA Program) Some families found permanent residences or moved during the first month of school. The breakdown is:

- 1 student grade K
- 1 student grade 1
- 1 student grade 5
- 1 student grade 9
- 1 student grade 10
- 2 students grade 12

There is also 1 student in grade 10 that is under the foster care ESSA program.

Copies of The New York Times were available for board members to view the article featuring our 4<sup>th</sup> grade students in the opinion section.

William “Coach Faz” Fazio field dedication will be held at Friday’s football game.

(6) Report of the Business Administrator—Field turf was discussed briefly; the audit is almost complete and all looks good.

(7) Report of the Solicitor—Student disciplinary hearing will be scheduled for a later date.

***L. CONSIDERATIONS***

(1) Old and Unfinished—None

(2) New—None

***M. CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS***

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A. Lori Bickowski, Mahanoy Midget Football, President, spoke about the loss of revenue the league has had due to inclement weather. The organization is requesting that they be forgiven the second payment of their lease.

B. Pat Mullins, Mahanoy City resident, was concerned with the bus stops being on Centre Street.

***N. REMARKS BY MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD***

Secretary Boyle mentioned the underprivileged children’s Christmas Party sponsored by the Elk’s lodge. She remarked that it would be greatly appreciated if anyone would be able to sponsor a child. Director Mistishen wished Nancy Elison a very happy retirement. President Hanley wished football and volleyball good luck on their upcoming games.

***O. ADJOURNMENT***

**Moved by S. Gnall & seconded by G. Gnall the regular monthly meeting of the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education was ADJOURNED.**

ALL MEMBERS  
MOTION:   X   Passes /        Fails

President Hanley declared the meeting closed at 6:58 p.m.

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**Attest**

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**Nancy Boyle**  
**Secretary**

The next meeting of the Mahanoy Area School District Board of Education will be held on Monday, November 19, 2018. All minutes and reports can be found on our district website [www.mabears.net](http://www.mabears.net) following the meeting.



**APPLICATIONS TO BE READ AT THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER  
24, 2018:**

Teaching:

Non-Teaching: Taja Dixon, Mahanoy City, PA—Teaching Assistant  
Cherise Yost, Barnesville, PA—Cafeteria

Book	Policy Manual
Section	200 Pupils
Title	Homeless Students
Number	251
Status	Review

### Authority

The Board recognizes the need to promptly identify homeless children and youths within the district, facilitate their immediate enrollment, and eliminate existing barriers to their attendance and education, in compliance with federal and state laws and regulations. [1][2][3]

The Board shall ensure that homeless children and youths have equal access to the same educational programs and services provided to other district students. [1][2][3][4]

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to waive district policies, procedures and administrative regulations that create barriers to the identification, enrollment, attendance, transportation, school stability and success in school of homeless children and youths. [3]

It is the policy of the Board that no student shall be discriminated against, segregated or stigmatized based on his/her homeless status. [5][6]

### Definitions

Enroll or Enrollment means attending classes and participating fully in school activities. [2]

Homeless children and youths means individuals who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence, and includes: [2][8]

- Children and youths who are:
  - Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason;
  - Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks or camping grounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
  - Living in emergency, transitional or domestic violence shelters; or
  - Abandoned in hospitals.
- Children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings;
- Children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations or similar settings;
- Migratory children who qualify as homeless because they are living in circumstances described above; and

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a written explanation of the reasons for its determination. The explanation shall be in a manner and form understandable to the parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth and shall include information regarding the right to appeal. [6]

### Placement -

In accordance with the child's or youth's best interest, the district shall continue to enroll a homeless student in his/her school of origin while s/he remains homeless and through the end of the academic year in which s/he obtains permanent housing. [6]

Parents/Guardians of a homeless student may request enrollment in the school in the attendance area where the student is actually living or other schools. [6]

The district's liaison shall assist an unaccompanied youth in placement or enrollment decisions, giving priority to the views of the student in determining where s/he will be enrolled. [6]

The district shall provide the parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth with a written explanation of any district decision related to school selection or placement, including the right to appeal. [6]

### Enrollment -

The selected school shall immediately enroll the student and begin instruction, even if:

- The student is unable to produce records normally required for enrollment. [3][11][12][13][14][15][16][17]
- The application or enrollment deadline has passed during any period of homelessness. [6][11]

The district's liaison shall immediately contact the school last attended by the child or youth to obtain relevant academics or other records. [6][11][12][13][14][15][16][17]

The district may require a parent/guardian to submit contact information. [6]

### Assignment -

If the district is unable to determine the student's grade level due to missing or incomplete records, the district shall administer tests or utilize appropriate means to determine the student's assignment within the school. [6][18]

### Dispute Resolution -

If a dispute arises over eligibility, enrollment or school selection: [6]

- The parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth shall be referred to the district's liaison, who shall assist in the dispute resolution process.
- The student shall be immediately enrolled in the school in which enrollment is sought, pending final resolution of the dispute, including all available appeals.
- The district's liaison shall issue a written decision of the dispute within twenty (20) business days of being notified of the dispute.

A parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth may appeal a district's written decision or file a complaint with the Coordinator of Pennsylvania's Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program.

### Education Records

Information about a homeless child's or youth's living situation shall be treated as a student education record subject to the protections of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), and shall not

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- School-aged parents living in houses for school-aged parents if they have no other available living accommodations.

School of origin is the school the child or youth attended when permanently housed or the school in which the child or youth was last enrolled, including preschool. When the child or youth completes the final grade level served by the school of origin, the school of origin shall include the designated receiving school at the next grade level for all feeder schools. [6]

Unaccompanied youth means a homeless child or youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian. This includes youth who have run away from home; been abandoned or forced out of home by a parent, guardian or other caretaker; or separated from a parent or guardian for any other reason. [2]

### Delegation of Responsibility

The Board designates the Social Worker to serve as the district's liaison for homeless children and youths. [6]

The district's liaison shall ensure outreach and coordination with: [6]

- Local social service agencies and other entities that provide services to homeless children and youths and families, including the Homeless Student Regional Program at the Berks County Intermediate Unit.
- Other school districts on issues of prompt identification, transfer of records, transportation and other inter-district activities.
- District staff responsible for the provision of services under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. [9][10]
- State and local housing agencies responsible for comprehensive housing affordability strategies.

The district's liaison shall ensure that public notice of the educational rights of homeless children and youths is disseminated in locations frequented by parents/guardians of homeless children and youths, and unaccompanied youths, including schools, shelters, public libraries, and soup kitchens. Such notice shall be provided in a manner and form understandable to the parents/guardians of homeless children and youths, and unaccompanied youths. [6]

The district's liaison shall provide reliable, valid and comprehensive data to the Coordinator of Pennsylvania's Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH) Program in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations. [6]

### Guidelines

#### Enrollment/Placement

#### Best Interest Determination -

In determining the best interest of a child or youth, the district shall:

- Presume that keeping the child or youth in the school of origin is in the child's or youth's best interest, except when doing so is contrary to the request of the parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth. [6]
- Consider student-centered factors related to impact of mobility on achievement, education, health and safety, giving priority to the request of the parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth. [6]
- If, after such consideration, the district determines that it is not in the child's or youth's best interest to attend the school of origin or the school requested by the parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth, the district shall provide the parent/guardian or unaccompanied youth with

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be deemed to be directory information. [16][17]

### Comparable Services

Homeless students shall be provided services comparable to those offered to other district students including, but not limited to: [1][6][19]

- Transportation services. [20]
- School nutrition programs. [21]
- Career and technical education. [22]
- Preschool programs.
- Educational programs for which the homeless student meets the eligibility criteria, such as:
  - Services provided under Title I or similar state or local programs. [23]
  - Programs for English Language Learners. [24]
  - Programs for students with disabilities. [10]
  - Programs for gifted and talented students. [25]

### Transportation

The district shall provide transportation for homeless students to their school of origin or the school they choose to attend within the school district. [1][6][20]

If the school of origin is outside district boundaries or homeless students live in another district but will attend their school of origin in this district, the school districts shall agree upon a method to apportion the responsibility and costs of the transportation. [6]

### Training

The district's liaison shall participate in professional development programs and other technical assistance activities offered by the Coordinator of Pennsylvania's Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program. [6]

The district's liaison shall arrange professional development programs for school staff, including office staff. [6]

School personnel providing services to homeless children and youths, including school enrollment staff, shall receive professional development and support to: [6]

- Improve identification of homeless children and youths and unaccompanied youths;
- Understand the rights of such children, including requirements for immediate enrollment and transportation; and
- Heighten the awareness of, and capacity to respond to, the educational needs of such children.

