INSTRUCTION 6173.1

EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN

The Governing Board recognizes its obligation to ensure that homeless children have access to the same free and appropriate public education provided to other children within the district. The district shall provide homeless students with access to education and other services necessary for these students to meet the same challenging performance standards as other students. Students shall not be segregated into a separate school or program based on their status as homeless, nor shall homeless students be stigmatized in any way.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that placement decisions for homeless students are based on the student's best interest as defined in law and administrative regulation.

TRANSPORTATION

The District shall provide the prevailing district program of transportation for a homeless student to and from a district school of origin when the student is residing within the district and the parent/guardian requests that such transportation be provided and when such transportation is part of the district program. If the student moves outside of district boundaries but continues to attend this district's school of origin, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with the Superintendent of the district in which the student is now residing to agree upon a method to apportion the responsibility and costs of the transportation. (42 USC 11432)

LEGAL REFERENCE

EDUCATION CODE

1980-1986 County community schools

2558.2 Use of revenue limits to determine average daily attendance of homeless children

39807.5 Payment of transportation costs by parents

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

11431-11435 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

MANAGEMENT RESOURCES

CDE PUBLICATIONS

Enrolling Students in Homeless Situations, 1999

FEDERAL REGISTER

U.S. Department of Education: Notice of school enrollment guidelines, 67 Fed. Reg. 10698

WEBSITES

CDE: http://www.cde.ca.gov/cilbranch/homeless/homelesstoc.html U.S. Department of Education:

http://www.ed.gov/offices/OESE/CEP/hmlsprogresp.html

National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty: http://www.nlchp.org