**Ringwood Homeless Liaison’s Duties**

The Homeless Liaison is responsible for assuring that homeless/highly mobile children are fully integrated into the mainstream school setting and offered appropriate educational support as authorized under the McKinney-Vento Act for Homeless Education. The Homeless Liaison shall coordinate and collaborate with community and school personnel responsible for the provision of education and related services to homeless students.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Essential duties of this position include the following. Employees in this position perform some or all of the following tasks. Other duties may be assigned.

1. Acts as a liaison between schools, shelters, and the community on behalf of homeless/highly mobile students.

2. Ensure that homeless families and students receive educational services for which they are eligible, and referrals to health-care services, dental services, mental health services and other appropriate services.

3. Ensures that parents of homeless students are informed of the educational and related opportunities available to the students and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their shelter.

4. Ensure that public notice of the educational rights of homeless students is distributed where such students receive services (i.e., schools, family shelters and soup kitchens).

5. Ensures that the parent of a homeless student, or any unaccompanied student, is fully informed of all transportation services, including transportation to the school of origin and is assisted in accessing appropriate transportation.

6. Create methods and documentation for tracking the number and location of highly mobile/homeless students.

7. Inform parents and guardians of homeless children and youth of opportunities and services available.

8. Develop a model for tracking homeless students’ participation and results on statewide assessment tests on state benchmarks.

9. Collect data and information on such students that will help the LEA prepare grant applications and secure services for such students. .

**Title IX-A of The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)**

The Act ensures the educational rights and protections for children and youth experiencing homelessness and includes:

* The right to immediate enrollment in school even without giving a permanent address.
* The right to attend school in the school of origin (if requested and is feasible), or in the school in the attendance area where the family or youth is currently residing.
* The right to receive transportation to the school of origin.
* The right to services comparable to those received by housed schoolmates.
* The right to attend school along with children not experiencing homelessness.
* The posting of homeless student rights in all schools and other places around the community