

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§ 1-4, NRS 385.080.

Section 1. Chapter 392 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

Sec. 2. *Each school district shall adopt policies and practices that are designed to remove any barriers to the enrollment and retention of homeless children in school. Each school district shall review and revise, if necessary, the policies and practices that it adopts pursuant to this section.*

Sec. 3. NAC 392.205 is hereby amended to read as follows:

392.205 **1.** Within 7 working days after receiving the name and location of a child who is homeless and who meets the age requirements of NRS 392.040, a school district shall provide the homeless child with education and services ~~[comparable to the education and services received by]~~ *that are provided to the* other pupils ~~[.]~~ *within the school district. The school district shall, in accordance with the best interests of the homeless child:*

(a) If applicable, continue the education of the child in the child's school of origin for the remainder of the school year; or

(b) Enroll the child in a school that is within the zone of attendance where the child is actually living.

FLUSH *In determining the best interests of a homeless child for purposes of this subsection, a school district shall, to the extent practicable, comply with a request made by the parent or guardian of the child regarding the selection of a school.*

2. Each school district shall:

(a) Maintain the appropriate school records for each homeless child who is attending school within the school district in the same manner as the school district maintains school records for the other pupils within the school district;

(b) Assist the parent or guardian of each homeless child in obtaining verification of the age and identity of the child and any prior school records of the child;

(c) Verify that each homeless child within the school district has received the immunizations necessary to attend school or, if applicable, assist the parent or guardian of the child in obtaining the immunizations for his child;

(d) Appoint a liaison for the homeless to coordinate with local social service agencies and other programs to assist homeless children and their families;

(e) Ensure that each school within the school district has identified an on-site advocate for the homeless to assist any homeless children and their families and to serve as a contact for the liaison appointed pursuant to paragraph (d); and

(f) Inform the personnel of the school district, the advocates for the homeless identified pursuant to paragraph (e) and those persons who provide services to children and their families within the school district of the duties of the liaison for the homeless appointed pursuant to paragraph (d).

3. As used in this section, “school of origin” means the school that a homeless child attended when he had a permanent home or the school in which the child was last enrolled.

Sec. 4. NAC 392.215 is hereby repealed.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

392.215 Maintenance of school records; immunization. For each homeless child enrolled within a school district, the district shall maintain the appropriate school records for the child. If the parents of the child cannot provide the following items, the district shall:

1. Provide proper immunization for the child or obtain verification that the child has been immunized;
2. Verify the child’s age and identity; and
3. Obtain the child’s prior school records.