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**NYS FIELD MEMO**  
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October 2010

**To:** District Superintendents  
Superintendents of Public Schools  
Charter School Administrators  
LEA Liaisons  
Committee on Special Education (CSE) Chairs  
Title I Directors

**From:** Roberto Reyes 

**Subject:** Required McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act Training

During the past few years, this country has experienced an economic downturn unlike anything that has been seen since the Great Depression. Consequently, an increasing number of children and families have been afflicted with the burden of poverty and one of its accompanying problems, homelessness. For example, from 2007-08 to 2008-09, school districts in New York saw an increase of 21% in the number of students identified as homeless. To ensure that all districts are aware of their responsibility to identify eligible homeless students as well as provide the services to help them succeed in school, the New York State Education Department (SED) is **requiring your school district's participation** at one of this year's 10 *McKinney-Vento Workshops*. Superintendents, LEA liaisons, CSE chairs, registrars, school counselors, principals, and Title I Directors are among those who would benefit from attending a Workshop.

These free of charge, one-day trainings are planned for:

- **October 15, 2010** in the Buffalo area
- **November 19, 2010** in Albany
- **December 7, 2010** in Westchester County
- **January, 25, 2011** in Manhattan
- **February, 2, 2011** in Long Island
- **February 15, 2011** in Brooklyn
- **March 8, 2011** in Queens

- **March 24, 2011** in Syracuse
- **March 30, 2011** in Binghamton

To register, please visit the NYS-TEACHS website: [www.nysteachs.org](http://www.nysteachs.org)

Workshops will include sessions on an introduction to McKinney-Vento and NYS Education laws, liaison responsibilities, transportation of students who are homeless, the rights of unaccompanied youth, and other timely regional topics relating to students experiencing homelessness. Please note that your expected attendance at Workshops is not limited exclusively to representatives of currently funded McKinney-Vento programs. All LEAs in the State that receive and administer federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) funds are required to comply with the McKinney-Vento Act and appoint an LEA liaison to ensure this compliance.

Finally, please be aware that McKinney-Vento funds or Title I, Part A funds can be used for travel-related expenses and staff replacement costs related to your attendance at one of the Workshops. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Melanie Faby at (518) 473-0295, or NYS-TEACHS at 1-800-388-2014, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. I thank you for your anticipated support and look forward to your participation.

Attachment

cc: Melanie Faby

# 2010 MCKINNEY-VENTO WORKSHOPS

*Providing Educational Stability for  
Students in Temporary Housing*

PRESENTED BY THE NEW YORK STATE TECHNICAL AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE CENTER FOR HOMELESS STUDENTS  
(NYS-TEACHS) & THE NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT (NYSED)

## *Workshops will Feature:*

- Introduction to the McKinney-Vento Act
- Transportation: Local Challenges and Solutions
- Real Issues, Real Stories: A Panel Discussion with Youth
- Liaison Responsibilities Demystified: A Guide to Procedures and Forms
- Spotlight on Unaccompanied Youth: Advanced Topic

### **Buffalo Workshop**

Friday, October 15, 2010  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Ramada Hotel & Conference Center  
2402 North Forest Road  
Getzville, NY 14068

### **Albany Workshop**

Friday, November 19, 2010  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Desmond Hotel & Conference Center  
660 Albany Shaker Rd  
Albany, NY 12211

### **Westchester Workshop**

Tuesday, December 7, 2010  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Manhattanville College  
2900 Purchase St  
Purchase, NY 10577

### **Bronx Workshop**

Tuesday, January 11, 2011  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
The Eastwood Manor  
3371 Eastchester Road  
Bronx, NY 10469

### **Manhattan Workshop**

Tuesday, January 25, 2011  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Fordham University - Lincoln Center  
140 W 62nd St, 12th Floor Lounge  
New York, NY 10023

### **Long Island Workshop**

Wednesday, February 2, 2011  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Melville Marriott  
1350 Old Walt Whitman Road  
Melville, New York 11747

### **Brooklyn Workshop**

Tuesday, February 15, 2011  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Brooklyn College - Conference Center  
East 27 Street and Campus Road  
Brooklyn, NY 11210

### **Queens Workshop**

Tuesday, March 8, 2011  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Queens College - The Student Union  
65-30 Kissena Blvd  
Flushing, NY 11367

### **Syracuse Workshop**

Thursday, March 24, 2011  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Holiday Inn - Carrier Circle  
6555 Old Collamer Road  
Syracuse, NY 13057

### **Binghamton Workshop**

Wednesday, March 30, 2011  
8:00AM to 1:00PM  
Holiday Inn Arena  
2-8 Hawley Street  
Binghamton, NY 13901

**Social Service Providers:**  
Want to share information about your services  
at our event? Please email,  
[workshops@nysteachs.org](mailto:workshops@nysteachs.org).

To register for this session, please visit:  
[www.nysteachs.org/trainings](http://www.nysteachs.org/trainings)  
or Call NYS-TEACHS:  
**(800) 388-2014**

