



# Gwinnett County Public Schools Homeless Education Program

**HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH  
HAVE THE RIGHT TO A FREE and  
APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION**

## **If you and your child:**

- Live in a shelter or motel,
- Share housing with relatives or others because you lost your housing or cannot afford housing,
- Live in a campground, car, abandoned building, or other inadequate shelter,
- Do not have a permanent address and/or permanent housing, or
- Live on the street,

## **Your child has the right to:**

- Immediately enroll in and attend school without having health and school records available,
- Enroll in the school serving the address where you are living temporarily *or* in the school attended when permanently housed, whichever is feasible *and* in your child's best interest,
- Receive transportation to and from school when feasible,
- Participate in school-related activities and receive other services, including free school meals, and
- Utilize the dispute resolution process if you have a grievance

## **IF YOU NEED HELP, PLEASE CALL:**

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