

McNary Elementary School  
Education of Homeless Children and Youth  
Dispute Resolution Process

If a dispute arises over school selection or enrollment for a student eligible under the McKinney-Vento Act –

The child or youth shall be immediately admitted to the school in which enrollment is sought, pending resolution of the dispute. McNary Elementary School will provide its share of the transportation to the school selected for the duration of the dispute resolution process.

The child, youth, parent, or guardian shall be referred to McNary Elementary School's Local Education Liaison, who shall carry out the dispute resolution process as expeditiously as possible after receiving notice of the dispute. In the case of an unaccompanied youth, the Local Educational Liaison shall ensure that the youth is immediately enrolled in school pending the resolution of the dispute.

The Local Educational Liaison shall work through the expedited dispute resolution process. For McNary Elementary School, that process involves the following:

- The Homeless Liaison and the school Superintendent shall work through the expedited dispute resolution process by meeting with the homeless youth, and parents or guardians; by examining all paperwork available; and by making a decision about the dispute within (5) days of learning of the dispute.
- After a decision has been made, McNary Elementary School shall provide the parent, guardian, or homeless youth with a written explanation of the school's decision regarding school selection or enrollment. McNary Elementary School will also provide written forms so that, if dissatisfied with the school's decision, the parent, guardian, or homeless youth may appeal the decision to the Arizona Department of Education: 1535 W. Jefferson Street, Bin #32, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, (602) 543-4963. <http://www.ade.az.gov/asd/homeless/disputeresolution.asp>

For more information or questions about the admission of homeless children and youth, please contact the McNary Elementary School Homeless Liaison at (928) 334-2293 or 334-2294.