

Services for Homeless Students

MGUSC wants to help all of our students achieve to their highest potential, this includes students who may be experiencing homelessness. Being considered homeless encompasses more than most of us would think of.

Did you know that a student is homeless if they lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence, including:

1. Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing or economic hardship;
2. Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
3. Living in emergency or transitional shelters;
4. Are abandoned in hospitals;
5. Awaiting foster care placement;
6. Living in public or private places not designed for or ordinarily used as regular sleeping accommodations for human beings;
7. Living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, transportation stations or similar settings; or
8. Are migratory children living in conditions described in the previous examples?

If you & your child are experiencing such difficulties, we want to help. We will maintain your confidentiality and work with you to ensure that your child can continue to attend school at MGUSC.

We can work with you to ensure your child stays in their regular school, and can help with enrollment from other districts if you are new to MGUSC. We can assist you in getting support for school lunches and book fees, and help with transportation to your child's regular school if you are experiencing temporary difficulties.

Please contact the Guidance Counselor in your child's school. They won't judge you; they will be able to help you access school & community resources.

- Kara Cribley, Elementary School Guidance Counselor
- Karen Mealy, Jr. High School Guidance Counselor
- Gwen Bragg, High School Guidance Counselor

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