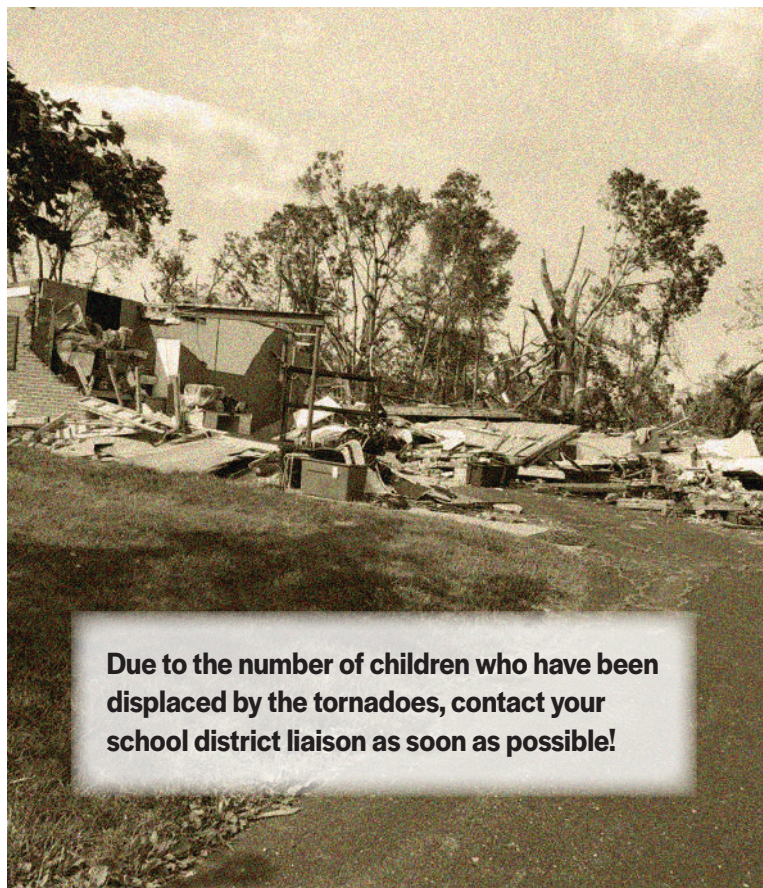


Know Your Rights: Going Back to School After the Tornadoes



School aged children who lost their homes in the Memorial Day tornadoes may qualify for help to succeed in school, under the McKinney-Vento Act. Children in many common situations are considered “homeless” for help from this law. Many children can **stay in last year’s school**, even if their temporary place is in another school district.

Children this law can help could be living:

- with friends or family
- in a hotel/motel
- in a shelter
- in a car or RV
- any other place which is not permanent, fixed housing for them

Call your liaison for help with:

- Enrolling in school (either where you are now or staying in last year’s school)
- Transportation
- Uniforms
- School supplies
- Getting copies of vaccination or birth certificates
- After school activity services
- School fee waivers
- Referrals to health, counseling, dental, and other services

Call Your McKinney-Vento Liaison for Help

Beavercreek Schools Bobbie Fiori 937-458-2414
Brookville Schools Tim Hopkins 937-833-2181
Dayton Schools Christine Pruitt 937-542-3304

Northridge Schools Nick Price 937-275-7469 ext. 2004
Trotwood Schools Ella Jordan-Isaac 937-854-3050 ext. 1181
Ohio Department of Education,
McKinney- Vento Coordinator Susannah Wayland 614-387-7725

Examples Of Children Who Qualify for McKinney-Vento Services



John

is a high school student. After the tornadoes, he and his family moved in with his grandparents while the family home is being repaired. It is very important to him to finish his senior year at his school of origin, which would be the one he went to during the 2018-2019 school year.



Sara

is a first-grade student. After the tornadoes destroyed her home, she is living in a motel while her family awaits section 8 housing. She can return to her school of origin, but her parents decided that it would be best for her to attend school where they are living so that she does not have a long bus ride. She can enroll and start classes there right away without all the papers normally needed.

Both children would qualify as “homeless” under McKinney-Vento **Their parents can decide to:**

- **Enroll in the school district where they live in temporary housing or**
- **Go back to the school they went to last year (school of origin) with free transportation from the schools**



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