

**POLICY ON THE ENROLLMENT, TRANSPORTATION, SCHOOL OF ORIGIN, AND THE
ELIMINATION OF BARRIERS FOR CHILDREN OR YOUTH EXPERIENCING
HOMELESSNESS INCLUDING UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH**

The Garretson School District policy is to:

- Ensure the immediate enrollment of children or youth experiencing homelessness until all enrollment records may be secured, i.e. academic records, medical records, proof of residency, or other documentation.
- Keep a child or youth experiencing homelessness in the school of origin, except when doing so is contrary to the wishes of the child's or youth's parent or guardian.
- Ensure the elimination of stigmatization of segregated services and the elimination of other identified barriers for homeless children and youth.
- Provide children or youth experiencing homelessness with services and the elimination of other identified barriers for homeless children and youth including:
 - Transportation services.
 - Educational services for which the child or youth meet the eligibility criteria, such as services provided under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 or similar state or local programs, educational programs for children with disabilities, and educational programs for students with limited English proficiency.
 - Programs in vocational and technical education.
 - Programs for gifted and talented students.
 - School nutrition programs.

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