

Examples of Planned and Unplanned Unaccompanied Youth Scenarios

Main Situation	Likely Eligible	Likely Ineligible
Medical (including substance abuse treatment and mental health)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serious traffic accident and parent is hospitalized; relative or friend steps in to care for the children 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent has a scheduled surgery and children are sent to a friend or relative while the parent recuperates
Incarceration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent experiences a mental health crisis and is hospitalized; relative or friend steps in to care for the children 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent is suffering from a long-term illness and children are sent to a relative to provide childcare while parent is unable to care for the children
Immigration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police are called in the middle of the night and the parent is arrested and kept in jail; relative or friend steps in to care for the children 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent has been sentenced and determines where the children will live prior to incarceration taking place
An agency is involved in the placement of the child	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law enforcement arrests and deports the parent; relative or friend steps in to care for the children and the arrangement does not appear permanent • Youth fled targeted violence in his/her own home and is staying temporarily with a relative or friend • Youth lived with a sponsor upon arrival but has been told to leave, or his/ her sponsor becomes homeless • The student already was identified as homeless or is placed with family or friends experiencing homelessness as defined by the EHCY McKinney-Vento program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth arrive from another country to obtain a better education • Youth are escaping community violence in another country and are living with someone without a time limit for staying • A court determines the child should live with someone other than a parent or custodial guardian • A CPS safety plan created with the parent has the children living with a relative or friend

Please note that these scenarios are for illustrative purposes only and do not capture all the factors a liaison should consider in making a determination. However, we recognize that there are situations listed as, "likely ineligible," in the prior chart that are being identified as homeless at this time. Students currently flagged as homeless should remain flagged for the remainder of the 2019-20 academic year and be provided their McKinney-Vento rights.