

What Are Your Rights?

- Your child may stay in your school of origin or transfer to a school in the attendance area where you live, according to their best interests.
- You may enroll your child in school immediately even if he/she lacks normal records/paperwork required for enrollment.
- Your child has the right to receive transportation services to the school that is determined to be in the best interest of the child.
- Your child has the right to participate in the same programs that are provided to other students.

"Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, vision cleared, ambition inspired, and success achieved."

-Helen Keller

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**North Carolina Homeless
Education Program**
The SERVE Center at UNCG
1-336-315-7400
<http://hepnc.uncg.edu>
Email: lphillip@serve.org

**National Association for the
Education of Homeless
Children and Youth (NAEHCY)**
866-862-2562
www.naehcy.org

Resources for Homeless Families

In Ashe County

McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

The Education of Homeless Children and Youth program is authorized under Title VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. This Act was most recently re-authorized in October 2016 by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), which ensures educational rights and protections for children and youth experiencing homelessness.

It is the goal of Ashe County Schools to provide support and encouragement to those experiencing homelessness. Please feel free to contact your school counselor with any questions or concerns you may have.

What is the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act?

It defines “homeless children and youth” as “individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence” and lives in any of the following situations:

- Double up with family or friends due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason
- Shelters, motels, hotels, car, or campground
- On the street
- Unaccompanied youth who are living in circumstances listed above



Regardless of your situation, Ashe County Schools will work with you to provide support and encouragement to your child and family to ensure a successful educational experience.

Emergency Shelters

A Safe Home for Everyone

1622 Hwy. 221 North
Jefferson, NC 28640
336-982-8851

Hospitality House

338 Brook Hollow Road
Boone, NC 28607
828-264-1237

Emergency Food Pantries

Ashe County Sharing Center, Inc.

Food Pantry

115 Colvard Street
Jefferson, NC 28640
336-846-7109
www.ashesharingcenter.org

Ashe Outreach Ministry

Rob Brooks
7719 NC Hwy 88 West
Creston, NC 28615
336-385-3663
www.asheoutreach.org

Ashe Really Cares (ARC)

204 Beaver Creek School Road
West Jefferson, NC 28694
336-846-5234
www.ashebaptist.org

Clothing, Utilities, Financial and Medical Services

Ashe County Coalition for the Homeless

336-846-5719 Mon-Fri 8:00 am-5:00 pm
336-846-5600 After Hours
ashehomelesscoalition.org

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Ashe County Department of Social Services

Family Support Services

150 Government Circle
Jefferson, NC 28640
336-846-5719

AppHealthCare

Appalachian District Health Department

413 McConnell Street
Jefferson, NC 28640
336-246-9449

Ashe Memorial Hospital

200 Hospital Avenue
Jefferson, NC 28640
336-846-7101

Ashe Pregnancy Care Center

346 South Main Street
Jefferson, NC 28640
336-846-4100
www.ashelife.org

Goodwill

1291 Mount Jefferson Road
West Jefferson, NC 28694
336-219-0244

Salvation Army Family Store

926 US Highway 221 Business
West Jefferson, NC 28694
336-846-3338

