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Offered Services:

SUN Fund- provides health/wellness supplies for students and their families

Berkshire Home Run Program- A school and home-based support program that provides specialized services to youth with challenging behaviors and their families

Citizens Advocates-

School-based counseling services for youth who experience behavioral, emotional or substance abuse problems that affect school performance.

BackPack Programprovides nutritious, non-perishable food to children to ensure they get enough food on weekends and holidays to avoid hunger when they can't depend on school meals.

Supporting the Education of Children in

Temporary Housing

McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. An Act to provide urgently needed assistance to protect and improve the lives and safety of those without a permanent home for the short term or long term with special emphasis on elderly persons, handicapped persons, and families with children.

McKinney-Vento requires every school district to have a liaison who works with young people, schools, and service providers to make sure that youth in temporary housing or without housing have a smooth transition into school and receive the support services for academic achievement they are guaranteed under law.

Any child or youth without a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence is considered "homeless" under the law. This includes students who are: * Living with a friend, relative or someone else because they lost their home or their family is having temporary financial problems.

Long Lake Central School District is committed to educating and providing assistance to any student who is or may be without a permanent home during the school year. We offer a variety of programs and resources that offer educational, nutritional and emotional support to students experiencing homelessness.

Students without a permanent home have numerous rights when it comes to access to education and services, including:

- The right to be immediately enrolled in school and to participate fully in any school activities for which they are eligible – even if the child can't provide records that are typically required.
- The right to attend a school in their neighborhood or district where they previously had permanent housing, regardless of their current location.
- The right to receive transportation to and from school.
- The right to take advantage of educational programs and services, including Title I provisions, free meals, ESL programs, special education, gifted and talented, pre-school, vocational training, and pre-/post-school childcare.
- The right to receive specialized protections for youth without a permanent home, including the ability to enroll in a school without documentation of guardianship.
- The right to debate a decision about enrollment if they feel it is unfair or disadvantageous.
- The right to request that a McKinney-Vento educational liaison be appointed to ensure they have proper access and representation.