McKinney-Vento
Dispute Resolution Process

Supporting Students & Protecting Rights

DISAGREEMENT EMERGES

Parent, guardian, or UHY disagrees with the district:

Eligibility **School Selection** **Enrollment**

Early Mediation & Discussion

- Liaison engages all parties
- Clarify the issue
- Gather Information
- Attempt to resolve informally

Issue Resolved?

YES — End process

No — Move to step 3

Written Notice of District Decision

- District provides written explanation of decision
- Includes appeal rights and next steps

Formal Dispute Process

- Parent/UHY submits request for formal dispute
- Liaison provides support and resources
- Parent/UHY may submit information in support of their position
- District gathers additional information as needed

District Review

- Review all information & Evidence
- Base decision on McKinney-Vento requirements
- Maintain communication with all parties

District Issues Local Decision

- District provides written local decision
- Includes right to appeal to TEA

APPEAL TO TEA

- Parent/UHY appeals to TEA
- District forwards all records & information to TEA

TEA Review

- TEA reviews all information
- TEA issues the final decision

DISTRICT IMPLEMENTS FINAL DECISION

- Notify all parties
- Ensure student continues to receive all rights & services
- Document actions
- Review policy & procedures

KEY REMINDERS

Students must be immediately enrolled in the requested school during the entire dispute process, including all appeals.

Students have the right to full participation i all school activities during the process.

Transportation to & from school of origin continues if requested & applicable.

Maintain documentation of all actions, communication, and decisions.