

O'DEA CORE KNOWLEDGE ELEMENTARY

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Dear Families,

Attached is information on the McKinney program, for which you may qualify. When students are lacking fixed, regular and adequate night residence including doubling up living with friends or other family members, such as an aunt or grandparent, because they cannot afford housing, they may qualify for McKinney services. The McKinney fund may assist families with:

- Weekly food bags
- Free and reduced lunch
- Possible busing when living arrangements change mid-year
- Quarterly clothing and household items distributions
- Health and medical resources
- Fee waivers for school events and activities
- Requests for scholarships for BASE Camp
- Referrals for Adopt-A-Family during the holidays
- Food baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner
- Referrals to outside community agencies

The decision to live with other family members or friends is a personal one and may have nothing to do with a lack of financial resources, and in this case, you may not need the assistance of the McKinney fund. If you would like to learn more about the McKinney program and determine if you would qualify for these resources, please contact Whitney Reid at wreid@psdschools.org.

If you feel you may qualify for the McKinney Program, or would like to learn more about the resources that exist, please complete the attached forms and turn into the front office.

We look forward to getting to know you and your family this school year. Please do not hesitate to contact our school counselor, Valentino Dressler at 970-488-4476 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Laurie Corso

Principal

