



Ambridge Area School District

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, many families may be faced with numerous unexpected burdens and challenges. If you find yourself and your family in a homeless situation and/or a potential homeless situation, please contact school personnel immediately. The district may be able to assist during this difficult time to ensure that there is minimal disruption to your child's education.

The term "homeless children and youth" is defined as individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. This includes individuals:

- Sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship or a similar reason;
- Living in a motel, hotel, trailer park or campground due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations;
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters;
- Living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, bus or train stations or similar settings;
- Living in substandard housing (no running water or working utilities, infestations, etc.).

Children who are experiencing homelessness may qualify for assistance with free school lunches, school supplies/materials, tutoring and transportation so that they can remain in their school of origin throughout the duration of their homeless episode.

If you believe your child(ren) may qualify for this service, please contact Jo Ann Hoover, Ambridge Area School District Homeless Liaison, at 724-266-2833 ext. 4213 or email: jhoover@ambridge.k12.pa.us

If your living situation changes during the school year and you and your children become homeless, please be sure to contact the school. We will work with you so that your child(ren)'s education is disrupted as little as possible.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann Hoover
Homeless Liaison