

# Homeless Student Policy

## **Board Policy Reviewed and Adopted: 6/14/16**

Albert Einstein Academies Board of Trustees recognizes the right of all students, including those who are homeless, to the opportunity to enroll in, and participate in all educational and support programs at Albert Einstein Academies.

#### **Student Rights**

- Homeless students who are enrolled in Albert Einstein Academies have the right to:
- Equal access to all educational programs and services, including transportation and school nutrition programs;
- Continue to attend Albert Einstein Academies for the duration of homelessness or the current school year, whichever ends first;
- Attend Albert Einstein Academies while homeless, unless there exists a legitimate reason for requiring attendance at another school; and
- Receive all educational services for which they are eligible (including special education).

### LEA's Responsibilities

Albert Einstein Academies will develop strategies for meeting the needs of homeless students and eliminating barriers to their attendance at school, including identification, and the provision of appropriate support services.

### Transportation

Albert Einstein Academies shall provide homeless students with transportation services comparable to those offered to other students at the school. This includes but is not limited to providing free trolley/bus vouchers to homeless students as needed.

### Legal Reference:

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (2001) McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (2001, Section 724(g))