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Regions: Bullard, Fresno, Hoover, Alt Ed/Specialty

Child Welfare and Attendance Specialist

Zukia Smith K-12 Grade

Regions: Edison and Roosevelt

Serves Students Facing Homelessness

Specialty Clinical School Social Workers

Dejanae Allen Elementary Shelters

Joanna Corzo Secondary Shelters

Darnell Fisher JJC & Elementary Specialty

2 Academic Counselors (Serves 8-12 Grade)

22 Clinical School Social Workers (Serves K-12 Grade)



Enroll-Attend-Succeed

COMMUNITY RESOURCES



Clothing

Holy Cross Day Shelter 559-450-7800

Catholic Charities 559-237-0851

Salvation Army 559-233-0138

Love Inc 559-224-9599

Food

Hope Lutheran Church (Tues) 559-439-4320

Catholic Charities 559-237-0851

Salvation Army 559-233-0138

Poverello House 559-498-6988

Love Inc 559-224-9599

Housing

Fresno Rescue Mission 559-444-0451

Housing Authority 559-443-8400

Marjaree Mason Center 559-233-4357

Sanctuary Youth Shelter 559-498-8543

Evangel Home 559-264-4714

Homeless Assistance 559-600-5315

Additional Resources

Fresno County Dept of Soc. Svcs. 559-600-5956

800-742-1011

Fresno County EOC 559-263-1588

Holy Cross Day Shelter Clinic 559-450-7800

PG&E 877-660-6787

FUSD Health Services 559-457-3301

FUSD Parent University 559-457-3390

FUSD Special Education 559-457-3220



Fresno Unified
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Achieving our Greatest Potential!

Department of Prevention & Intervention

Project ACCESS



Project ACCESS (Achievement in Core Curriculum for Equity and Student Success) serves schools, families and the community by providing support and advocacy that enable students to become college and career-ready graduates.

<http://www.fresnou.org/dept/dpi>



RIGHTS

FOSTER/HOMELESS STUDENTS HAVE A RIGHT TO ATTEND AND RECEIVE A FREE APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION. WITHIN FUSD PROJECT ACCESS THE DEPARTMENT THAT CAN ASSIST YOU WITH THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS:

- Foster/Homeless students cannot be kept out of school if you lack required documentation for enrollment.
- If you lack permanent housing, a Project ACCESS Affidavit will have to be completed upon enrollment.
- Student has the right to remain at the school of origin. If student is homeless, they have the right to remain until the end of the school year. Unless, student is in high school, they have the right to remain all four years.
- If you do not agree with the school placement of your child, you can file a dispute form.
- Public transportation assistance is available when the student resides outside of their school of origin boundaries.

Project ACCESS Services

- Individual/Group Counseling
- Case Management
- School Supplies
- Bus Tickets, if eligible
- Community Resources
- Provides support for extracurricular school activities

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(559) 457-3359

District Services

The McKinney-Vento Act defined homelessness as "lacking a fixed, regular, stable & adequate nighttime residence. Our program offers families & students who are currently in transition to apply for Project ACCESS services and receive upon meeting criteria.

Students in foster care automatically receive Project ACCESS services and have the right to remain at their school of origin if it is in the student's best interest.

Project ACCESS provides student support to all enrolled students in the program through various qualified staff members to ensure their social, emotional, and academic needs are met.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

Parent/guardian it is your responsibility to ensure that your child/ren are enrolled.

Parents/guardian be sure to inform your child's school if there are any changes to your address. It is important that you notify the school and Project ACCESS immediately upon relocating.

Affidavits are required to be completed annually as they are only good for the current academic school year. Families will receive a reminder notification to reapply if their status of housing has not changed.