

## **Eagle Ridge Homeless Liaison Contact**

“Homelessness is defined as lacking a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. Situations specifically described in the McKinney-Vento Act include sharing housing due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason living in hotels, motels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to lack of housing, living in emergency or transitional housing, children abandoned at hospitals or awaiting foster care. It also includes a primary nighttime residence that is not designed for or ordinarily used as a sleeping accommodation for humans, living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, and migratory children living in one of the circumstances described previously.” -National Center for Homeless Education.

Homeless children and youth face many educational barriers due to the disruption of not having a fixed or regular place to live. Most face educational disruption due to changing schools as they move from one temporary location to another.

### **The homeless liaison:**

- Assists homeless children and youth with enrolling in school and accessing school services.
- Helps homeless children and youth obtain immunization or medical records .
- Informs parents, school personnel, and others of the rights of homeless children and youth.
- Works with school staff to make sure that homeless children and youth are immediately enrolled in school pending resolution of disputes that might arise over school enrollment or placement.
- Helps to coordinate services for homeless children and youth.
- Collaborates and coordinate with the State Coordinator and with community and school personnel responsible for providing education and related support services to homeless children and youth.

### **Eagle Ridge Homeless Liaison Contact Information:**

School Counselor  
2002 Eagle Ridge Dr.  
Silvis, IL 61282  
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Please let us know how we can assist you with your needs.