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Even during school building closures, the protections of the federal McKinney-Vento Act remain intact. Students who experienced housing loss due to or during the COVID-19 outbreak are included in these protections, even if they reside temporarily outside of the state. Students who are protected by McKinney-Vento are entitled to immediate enrollment in their school of origin or in any public school that nonhomeless students who live in the attendance area where they are living are able to attend.,²

students working over the summer to satisfy Regents requirements, including science lab-seat time, or additional coursework needed in order to be eligible for a Regents exemption.

For more information, please see the New York State Education Department's (NYSED or "the Department") <u>Title I, Part A: Homeless Set-Aside, Guidance on Allowable and Unallowable Expenditures</u> and the U.S. Department of Education's <u>Education for Homeless Children and Youths Program Non-Regulatory Guidance</u>, Sections H and M. For specific questions about uses of Title I funds, contact conappta@nysed.gov.

Appointing a McKinney-Vento Liaison:

All LEAs must ensure that there is a McKinney-Vento liaison available year-round. Due to summer vacation schedules, many LEAs may need to appoint a special interim McKinney-Vento liaison for the summer months if the liaison for the academic year is unavailable. In addition, LEAs must ensure that parents and students in temporary housing have access to up-to-date contact information for the LEA liaison, even during school closures. Many LEAs have arranged for

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