

## Educational Liaisons

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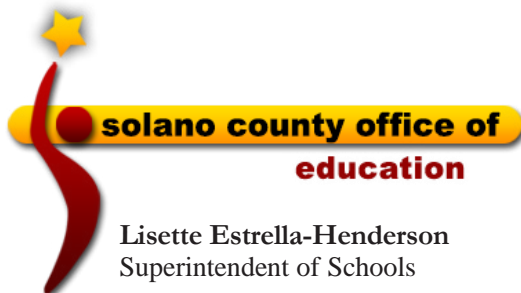


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# Foster and Homeless Youth Services



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## Foster Youth Services (FYS)

Solano County Office of Education's (SCOE) Foster Youth Services assists foster children and youth in meeting their educational needs through a collaborative effort.

Foster children and youth often experience numerous changes in placements and interruptions in school. The emotional adjustments of these changes combined with the stress of falling behind in school can be overwhelming. In order to support foster children academically and emotionally, the FYS program was established to meet these needs.

## FYS Educational Liaisons

Foster Youth Services Educational Liaisons assist with:

- x Immediate enrollment in school
- x Timely transfer of education records
- x Improving academic achievement
- x Improving attendance and reducing truancy and dropout rates
- x Reducing incidents of student discipline problems and juvenile delinquency
- x Developing a health and education passport which includes critical health and educational information to follow children and youth within the foster system



## Homeless Youth Services (HYS)

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act is a federal program to assist children and youth that are experiencing temporary unstable housing. The term homeless children and youth applies to individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

State educational agencies and local educational agencies must ensure that each homeless child and youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including public preschool programs, as other children and youth.

## HYS Educational Liaisons

Supportive services to homeless children and youth are as follows:

- x The right to immediate enrollment in school regardless of living situation
- x Assistance with school services to maintain educational stability
- x Opportunities for academic success
- x Assistance with obtaining immunizations and medical records
- x Continued attendance in the school in which last enrolled
- x Transportation from current residence to school of origin



## Community Partners

- x Children's Network
- x Community Action Partnership of Solano
- x Court Appointed Special Advocates of Solano County
- x Family Justice Center
- x First Place for Youth
- x Foster A Dream
- x Foster Family Agencies
- x Foster Parents
- x Group Homes
- x Solano Community College
- x Solano County Counsel
- x Solano County District Attorney Office
- x Solano County Health and Social Services:  
Department of Child Welfare Services  
Department of Mental Health
- x Solano County Juvenile Courts
- x Solano County Office of Education
- x Solano County Probation Department
- x Solano County School Districts; Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield-Suisun, River Delta, Travis, Vacaville, and Vallejo
- x Solano County Shelters
- x Solano County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)
- x Stahnke & Associates, Legal Services for Children
- x Vallejo City Unified School District SELPA
- x Wednesday Club

