

# Administrative Procedure 5420 ATTENDANCE OF CHILDREN IN TRANSITION

**Responsible**: Department of Intervention

#### **PURPOSE**

This Administrative Procedure establishes the protocol for taking attendance of students coded as "Children In Transition" (CIT) in the Washoe County School District (District).

#### **PROCEDURE**

- 1. With the passage of the McKinney Vento Act in 1987 and subsequent reauthorization under Title X, Part C of NCLB, it is incumbent upon the District to work with students who are in transition and struggling to attend school.
- 2. McKinney-Vento Eligible (MVE) is an attendance code that may be used to designate any absence for a Child In Transition <u>only when the absence is related to being in transition</u>. This code should not be used for students receiving CIT services who are absent from school for other reasons. The code should only be used when a student who has been identified as a Child in Transition is absent related to being in transition:
  - a. Attendance personnel will code the absence MVE;
  - b. Attendance personnel must enter a comment explaining how the incident was related to being in transition in the area for attendance comments for each day excused with the MVE code;
  - c. Attendance personnel must for each incident in which MVE is coded, notify, via email, Children In Transition Coordinator:
    - i. The comment entered;
    - ii. The number of days marked MVE;
    - iii. The student name;
    - iv. The student's ID;
    - v. The student's birthdate;
    - vi. The school attended; and
  - d. The absence does count against chronic absenteeism and possible retention/failure.

## LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- 1. This Administrative Procedure reflects the goals of the District's Strategic Plan and aligns/complies with the District's governing documents, to include:
  - a. Board Policy 5400, Student Attendance.
- 2. This Administrative Procedure aligns with Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 392, Pupils, and specifically:
  - a. NRS 392.040, Attendance required for child between 7 and 18 years of age; minimum age required for kindergarten and first grade; waiver from attendance available for child 6 years of age; developmental screening test required to determine placement; effect of military transfer of parent of child.
- 3. This Administrative Procedure complies with the McKinney Vento Act in 1982 and subsequent reauthorization under Title X, Part C of No Child Left Behind.

### **REVISION HISTORY**

Date	Revision	Modification
5/2012	1.0	Adopted as Accepted Practice
11/2012	2.0	Revised
1/03/2014	3.0	Revised: Converted to Administrative Procedure
5/16/2019	4.0	Revised: Comply with new attendance procedures
7/19/21	5.0	Revised: Updated responsible Office to Office of Intervention, added clarification to section regarding when code should be used.
4/29/22	6.0	Revised: Code changed from CIT to MVE to protect student privacy