

Dietrich School District No. 314

2390

INSTRUCTION

Migrant Education Program

Purpose

The general purpose of the Migrant Education Program (MEP) is to ensure that migrant children fully benefit from the same free public education provided to other children. To achieve this purpose, the MEP addresses the special educational needs of migrant children to better enable migrant children to succeed academically.

Eligibility

Children are eligible to receive MEP services if they meet the definition of “migratory child” and if the basis of their eligibility is properly recorded on a Certificate of Eligibility (COE).

A “migratory child” is defined as:

1. The child is younger than twenty-two (22) and has not graduated from high school or does not hold a high school equivalency certificate (this means that the child is entitled to a free public education or is of an age below compulsory school attendance); and
2. The child is a migrant agricultural worker or a migrant fisher or has a parent, spouse, or guardian who is a migrant agricultural worker or a migrant fisher; and
3. The child has moved within the preceding thirty-six (36) months in order to obtain (or seek) or to accompany (or join) a parent, spouse, or guardian to obtain (or seek), temporary or seasonal employment in qualifying agricultural or fishing work; and
4. Such employment is a principal means of livelihood; and
5. The child:
 - A. Has moved from one school district to another; or
 - B. In a state that is comprised of a single school district, has moved from one administrative area to another within such district.

Record Keeping

The District is required to keep records to demonstrate:

1. The amount of funds under the grant or sub-grant;
2. How the District uses the funds;

