

Current and Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities

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At Your Own Pace:

National Center for Homeless Education's self-paced training: They offer several self-paced training opportunities **WITH certificates of completion**. In order to meet training requirements you will need to have PD that add up to 3 renewal units (7 if you get the McKinney-Vento grant)

- <https://nche.ed.gov/basic-requirements-of-the-mckinney-vento-act-webinar/>
- https://uncg.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2furQouVxHtv7dX
- <https://nche.ed.gov/providing-emergency-preparedness-supports-for-students-experiencing-homelessness/>
- https://uncg.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9YVEYasxWzEKL1b
- https://uncg.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bjfKnjs8z4Yrdoq
- <https://nche.ed.gov/transporting-students-experiencing-homelessness-webinar/>
- https://uncg.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0TgTCqfsUs2tFhX

DPHHS, Head Start, self-paced training modules. You WILL receive a certificate of completion.

<https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/family-support-well-being/article/supporting-children-families-experiencing-homelessness>
[\[eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov\]](https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov)

McKinney-Vento.org Homeless Liaison training- this is a comprehensive training on the role of the liaison. 4 credit hours. When finished it will generate a certificate.

<https://training.mckinney-vento.org/login>

~~OPI Learning Hub Course, 3 hours. On completion you will receive OPI renewal units. This course must be finished and PD downloaded before 9/1/25. OPI is changing learning management systems.~~

<https://learninghub.mrooms.net/enrol/index.php?id=788>

SchoolHouse Connection recorded webinars, last 1 hour. Some of these you WILL receive a certificate of completion if you attend live! Recorded webinars do not have certificates.

<https://schoolhouseconnection.org/tools-resources/webinars>
[\[schoolhouseconnection.org\]](https://schoolhouseconnection.org)

Coming Soon! HUB course for Homeless Liaisons and Administrators.

September

- OPI Trainings. [Click here to register.](#)
 - New Liaison Orientation - Wednesday September 10, 8:30-9:30am
 - The Basics of McKinney-Vento - Tuesday September 16, 2:30-3:30pm
 - New Liaison Orientation- Tuesday September 23, 2:30-3:30pm
 - The Basics of McKinney-Vento- Wednesday September 24, 8:30-9:30am
- Thursday, September 4, 2025, 11:00am-12:30 Mountain Time, [21st Century Community Learning Centers and McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youth Programs: Building Collaborative Connections.](#) (click link to register) Training by NCHE.

- Wednesday, September 10, 2025 1PM Mountain Time, [McKinney-Vento Basics: Essentials for Strong Start](#) (click link to register). Training by SchoolHouse Connections.
- Wednesday, September 17, 2025, 1PM Mountain Time, [Youth On Their Own: Supporting Unaccompanied Students](#) (click link to register). Training by SchoolHouse Connections.
- Tuesday Sep 23, 2025 , 12-1:30PM Mountain Time, [EHCY Implementation: Beyond the Basics](#) (click link to register). Training by NCHE.
- Wednesday, September 24, 2025, 1PM Mountain Time, [Transportation for Students Experiencing Homelessness](#) (click link to register). Training by SchoolHouse Connections.
- Tuesday, September 30, 2025, 11am Mountain Time, [Expanding College Access with the Common APP](#) (click link to register). Training by SchoolHouse Connections.

The Common App is an online application platform used by over 1,000 colleges and universities worldwide. It allows students to complete a single application that can be submitted to multiple participating institutions.

By streamlining the college application process, the Common App helps make higher education more accessible for all students, especially those experiencing homelessness.

This webinar will explore how high school counselors and liaisons can use the Common App to support students applying to college, including unaccompanied youth experiencing homelessness, and address frequently asked questions.

October

- Wednesday, October 1, 2025, 1PM Mountain Time, [Making the Call: Determining McKinney-Vento Eligibility with Care and Consistency](#). Training by SchoolHouse Connections.
- October 8-10 Montana Fall Community of Practice. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage and network with professionals serving at-risk youth please email Marisa Britton-Bostwick to register. Marisa.Britton-Bostwick@mt.gov

Wednesday October 8, 2025

10:00-12:00: Anaconda Schools 506 Chestnut St. Anaconda, MT

· Group Home Program

· Panel of Students

12:00-1:00 Lunch on Own

1:00: Discovery House * 65 Sheep's Gulch Anaconda, MT

2:00-4:00: Aware Center for Excellence 200 North Polk St. Anaconda, MT 59711

6:00-8:00: Spooks and Spirits Trolley Tour

Pick up at Finlen

Tour Limited to 30 people

\$30 per person must book by 9/17/25

Finlen Hotel <https://finlen.client.innroad.com/group>

Group Code: OPI25

State Rate must book by 9/17/25

Thursday October 9, 2025

8:00 Butte Pathways and Crossroads Program Tour 1050 S. Montana St.

Butte, MT 59701 Maroons Activity Center 550 E. Mercury St.

Butte, MT

10:00 Trio *

· Theresa Rader

11:00 Montana OPI Homeless Education

· Justine Guthrie

12-1:00 Lunch On Own

1:00-2:00 Reach Higher and Chafee Provider *

· Christy Hendricks and Rissa Stacjar

1:30-2:00 Action Inc.

· Rissa Stajcar

2:00-3:30 Modified Graduation *

· Norah Barney and Tim Norbeck

Underground Tour: Christy Hendricks will be sending out additional information as we get closer

5:30-7:30 Butte Brewery

· Networking

Friday October 10, 2025 Highlands College

8:00 Highlands College Dual Enrollment

· Bernie Phelps

9:00 Butte Native Wellness Center

· Jancee Hansen

· Tiela Gray

10:00-11:30 Montana Board of Crime Control

· Jeremy Shields

· Introduction

· Funding

· Data

· Committees

11:30: Wrap Up and Safe Travels

November

- Thursday, Nov 13, 2025 , 1PM Mountain Time, [FAFSA 2026-2027: Strategies to Support Unaccompanied Homeless Youth](#) Training by SchoolHouse Connections.