

# RSU 16 School Board Administrative Report



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## Participation updates

**Academics:** Twenty-one academic students attended classes during the month of October – similar to last year at this time. Attendance was light at the beginning of the week following the recent tragedy but resumed quickly. In addition to the consistent routine of our classroom, we offered the option of a safe space in our computer lab to decompress with art activities, puzzles, fidget and sensory objects, etc. Mental health resources were posted and available as handouts.

**Enrichment:** Sixty community members have participated in our fall enrichment classes so far. We have a few more classes coming up this month and next – and we are already working to set up opportunities for Winter/Spring! If you know of someone who can share and teach a skill or talent with others, please have them reach out to us.

## McKinney Vento Homeless Liaison Report

### **What is “McKinney Vento”?**

McKinney Vento is a federal act which requires each school district to designate a Homeless Liaison to identify and assist students who are experiencing homelessness, specifically with regard to immediate school enrollment, transportation, and food service. The term ‘homeless’ means that individuals lack a FIXED, REGULAR, and ADEQUATE nighttime residence – or lack the ability to go to the SAME PLACE, EVERY NIGHT, to sleep in a SAFE & SUFFICIENT SPACE.

For a basic understanding of rights afforded to McKinney Vento students, please review my brief [slide presentation](#) here (or at [bit.ly/3SQlzkV](https://bit.ly/3SQlzkV)).

**To date this school year, we have identified 16 McKinney Vento youth in our RSU 16 schools.**

