

Pennsylvania Migrant Education Program

Region 4 Information

Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit

The Migrant Education Program (MEP), Title I Part C, is authorized under Part C of Title I of the ESEA of 1965, as amended by ESSA. The goal of the IU5 MEP is to ensure that all migrant students reach challenging academic standards and graduate with a high school diploma (or high school equivalency) that prepares them for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment. (www.ed.gov)

Purpose and Goal

The Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit Migrant Education Program offers supplemental educational services to the children of migrant agricultural workers in 30 counties. The primary goal of the Migrant Education Program is to ensure that all migrant students reach challenging academic standards and graduate with a high school diploma (or complete a high school equivalent) that prepares them for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment.

Health Services

The IU5 MEP provides health referrals and information to students and families and assists in scheduling school vaccination appointments. The IU5 MEP works closely with Keystone Farmworker Health to help families access quality health services.

In-Home Support

IU5 MEP Student Support Specialists provide in-home advocacy and instruction to families and students.

Out-of-School Youth

These are students who have not graduated or do not hold a high school equivalent certificate. They are offered help in finding ELD programs and Adult Basic Education courses that are located within their communities. IU5 MEP staff provide lessons based on student needs such as English Language Development and Life Skills.

Parent Involvement

Project Areas 7 and 8 have active Parent Involvement Committees. Migrant parents are involved in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the program. All parents are invited to participate in the educational meetings that are planned by the Parent Involvement Coordinator and the local Parent Advisory Council. Parents are guided in the rights and responsibilities for a child to receive an education. They are encouraged to participate in their child's school-parent meetings and opportunities.

Partnership Programs

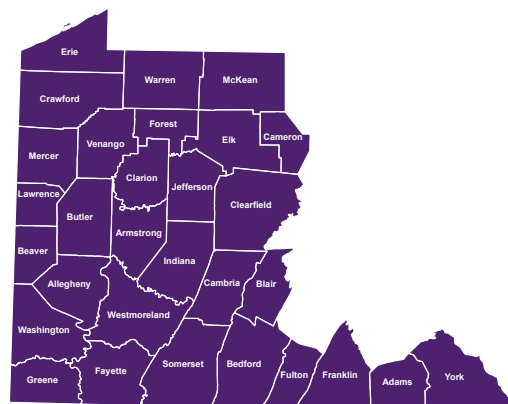
The Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit Migrant Education Program participates in various local and statewide programs. Some of these programs are provided through partnerships with local school districts, colleges, and universities. Other programs are through state sponsorships.

Student Support Programs

The Student Support Specialists advocate on behalf of migrant students. They are an important link between migrant families, schools, and community agencies. They refer students to existing extended-day and tutoring programs, high school equivalency programs, and preschool programs.

Summer School Programs

Students are given the opportunity to attend a summer program in their area. The students receive daily lessons in language arts and math. ELD support is available. Students also participate in cultural activities, art class, and computer lab. All classes and activities are STEAM/STEM (science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics) related.



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Counties Served

Adams, Allegheny, Armstrong,
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Cambria, Cameron, Clarion,
Clearfield, Crawford, Elk,
Erie, Fayette, Forest, Franklin,
Fulton, Greene, Indiana,
Jefferson, Lawrence,
McKean, Mercer, Somerset,
Venango, Warren, Washington,
Westmoreland, and York.

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