

PA Migrant Education Program Region 1 Information

CSIU Central Susquehanna 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 CSIU 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

The Northeast Migrant Education Program is designed to help migratory children remain in their grade level and reach their full potential despite the challenges presented by their migratory lifestyle. The program serves 27 counties: Bradford, Carbon, Centre, Clinton, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mifflin, Monroe, Montour, Northumberland, Perry, Pike, Potter, Schuylkill, Snyder, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, Union, Wayne and Wyoming.

Eligibility

Migrant children are those (birth through 21) whose parents or guardians have moved from one school district to another within the last three years and work or have worked in temporary or seasonal agriculture-related activities. In central Pennsylvania, migrant workers are most commonly employed in dairy farming, vegetable and fruit planting/harvesting, logging, food and meat processing, greenhouses, nurseries as well as other agriculture.

Information and Referral

Migrant staff provides information through home visits and newsletters. As well, staff refer families to local agencies and other available support services.

Identification and Recruitment

Specially trained recruiters work within the community and local educational facilities to identify migrant families. Recruiters explain program services and conduct interviews to determine children's eligibility as defined by federal regulations. Once parent or guardian signatures are obtained, enrollment begins. Follow-up visits are provided.

Migrant Student Data Services

Identified migrant children are enrolled in a migrant student data system that maintains and transmits their current educational and health records. This system assists teachers in grade placement of migrant children, prevents duplication of services, and is used as an evaluation instrument.

Student Services

Migrant staff offer educational support services for young people, ages 3 through 21. School and interagency coordination and parental involvement are major program components.

Summer Program

A summer program offers language activities, basic and advanced skill development, as well as individualized and group learning within an experiential approach.

For More Information or to Refer a Child:

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