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Due date: September 25, 2017

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BULLETIN NO. 071-17 STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

TO: Educational Service District Superintendents
School District Superintendents
School District Business Managers
School Building Principals
School District Homeless Liaisons

FROM: Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: Updating the Required McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison List

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The federal McKinney-Vento Act requires each school district to designate a homeless liaison to work with homeless education issues at the local school district level, and ensure that students experiencing homelessness are identified, enrolled, and succeeding in school. The Act requires state education agencies to annually publish and update a list of local School District Liaisons on the state educational agency website.

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) maintains a database that includes the name and contact information for each of the designated school district homeless liaisons. We are requesting that you review the current liaison contact information found at [McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Liaison Contact List](#) and make any necessary changes or revisions by using the “update” option to complete and submit the [online form](#).

In addition to the requirement of maintaining a current list of school district homeless liaisons, the McKinney-Vento Act outlines the school district’s responsibility to ensure that all designated school district homeless liaisons receive appropriate training to perform their duties as indicated in the law. As a part of the online liaison contact database, OSPI has provided fields in which homeless liaisons can identify the date and type of training they receive in compliance with this professional development requirement. When you access the online form by using the “update” link to edit or verify the liaison contact information, please take a moment to complete the additional field(s) related to the required homeless liaison training.

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For information regarding the appropriate selection of the district's homeless liaison, please see the attached document titled, "Designating a Local Homeless Education Liaison: A Guide for School District Administrators in Washington." This document is located online at [Designating a Homeless Education Liaison Brief](#).

After verifying your district's liaison information and making any necessary changes, including the necessary training details, please complete and submit the [online form](#) no later than Monday, September 25. Thank you for assisting us in maintaining an accurate database. If you have questions related to the online homeless liaison contact form, please contact Cindi Wiek at 360-725-6505 or email cindi.wiek@k12.wa.us. The agency's TTY number is 360-664-3631.

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For questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Melinda Dyer, at 360-725-6505 or email melinda.dyer@k12.wa.us. The OSPI TTY number is 360-664-3631.

This bulletin is also available on OSPI's website at <http://www.k12.wa.us/BulletinsMemos/bulletins2017.aspx>.

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