March 2023

OVESC
FAMILY
SUPPORT TEAM

McKinney-Vento-

- ☐ Penny Boggs
- ☐ Stephanie Collinsworth

Family and

Community

Partnership

Engagement-

- ☐ Jenny Maze
- ☐ Mindy
 Schwendeman

DISTRICTS WE SERVE:

Belpre City Schools
Fort Frye Local Schools
Frontier Local Schools
Marietta City Schools
Noble Local Schools
Switzerland of Ohio Local
Warren Local Schools
Wolf Creek Local Schools
Mid East Career and
Technical Centers
Washington County
Career Center



McKinney-Vento and Family and Community Partnership

Family Support Team Updates

- Stephanie, Penny, and Tonya Buchanan (Parent Mentor) continue to volunteer once a month at Harvest House.
- Stephanie and Penny attended Guernsey County Council of Coordinated Services and Noble County Family and Children First Council meetings.
- ☐ We continue to partner with Harp Mission and share donated items with the United Way.
- ☐ The team is continuing to support districts with items needed for families.
- ☐ Plans are in process for the Kids Read Now program and Dawes science kits for summer enrichment for McKinney-Vento identified students.
- ☐ Penny, Stephanie, and Jenny are working on final details for the rollout of the Rent Smart program.
- ☐ Penny and Stephanie met virtually with the administration team at Crooksville Exempted Village School District to share the McKinney-Vento services offered by the Ohio Valley ESC.

March 2023 PROJECT LIFT



Our Mission is to lift students and families by helping meet academic, emotional, and physical needs through McKinney– Vento and Family and Community Partnership supports and services.

Family and Community Engagement Staff Highlight

Jenny Maze has held several positions with the Ohio Valley ESC including paraprofessional, student mentor with our Blue Sky Virtual Academy, and now as the OVESC Family and Community Engagement Liaison. Her willingness to try anything and her ability to adapt to new roles have made her a valuable part of the OVESC and Project Lift.



When she started as Liaison the position was still being designed. For the past 2 years she has worked diligently to help families in our districts, to establish relationships with our districts and to give them the resources needed to provide services to families.

Jenny lives outside of Belpre, Ohio, on her own little farm where she, her husband Jason, and 5 children raise chickens along with a menagerie of 3 dogs, 4 cats, 2 rabbits, and Fernando the duck.



McKinney-Vento Liaison 2022-23 Meeting Schedule

September 7, 2022

November 9, 2022

January 7, 2022

March 8, 2023

May 10, 2023

Belpre City Schools-

Students Learning About Service in Their Community

We are pleased to report the Belpre High School student council and selected junior high students who work with us in the Eagle Clawset recently participated in a visit to the Latrobe Street Mission homeless shelter. We were hosted and guided through the facility by mission staff, all of whom were incredibly passionate about their work! This was a very impactful event for our students, many of whom were deeply moved by the transparency of staff as they told their personal stories, and the overall positivity of the environment even while dealing with the many challenges that have to be overcome on a daily basis! The students and staff who participated in this visit left with a greater understanding of the important work that goes on there, leading to an increased desire to find opportunities to provide support and resources whenever possible as our community moves forward together!

- by Mike Seebaugh, McKinney-Vento Liaison

WE LOVE OUR PARTNERS!

Tonya Buchanan, one of OVESC's Parent Mentors requested Crayola products— and look what Stephanie brought her from Harp Mission in Caldwell! Tonya will use these in Kindergarten transition packets.

Thank you, Harp Mission!



RENT SMART is just around the corner!

Rent Smart is an educational program designed to provide potential renters with the tools they need to search for, procure, and maintain appropriate housing. Penny, Stephanie, and Jenny are working with The Ohio State Extension Office to offer this program in our communities, high schools, and career centers.

We'll be sending flyers and brochures to district liaisons soon. Our first modules are tentatively scheduled to begin April 20th.

SAVE THE DATE!

DISTRICT LIAISON OPEN HOUSE

Date: May 10

Place: OVESC Marietta office

Time: 10:00-4:00

We'll have all kinds of goodies for you to take back to your districts!