

## What is MEP Funding and How Does the MEP Help My Migratory Child?

What is MEP Funding? The district in which a child is identified has access to MEP funds to provide support and academic services to all migratory children in the district. When a child qualifies as a migratory student, the type of services they may receive will depend on whether the district accepts these funds or not, the individual needs of the child, and other funding sources that are available in the school district.

How does the MEP Help my Migratory Child? It is important to remember that when children move with a migratory worker from their household, the moves may impact their education.

So, how does the MEP help migratory students? Frequent migratory moves could result in gaps in your child's education and, for migratory high school students, a delay in earning necessary credits. The MEP works to identify your child's educational gaps, then coordinates or provides support to help close those gaps.

Migratory students qualify for the same district services that ALL students in the school receive. However, migratory students may also receive additional or supplemental services from the MEP based upon the student's identified needs that are due to their migratory lifestyle. These supplemental services may include:

MEP instructional services such as: tutoring, summer programs, early childhood opportunities, or state assessment preparation. MEP support services such as: clothing, health visits, school supplies or access to homework tools, or MEP services such as: support, advocacy, coordination, empowerment, and encouragement from school personnel.

For more information about the services and support available in your district, contact your local MEP recruiter or campus staff.