

## A Migratory Child

Federal Register (July 28, 2008) Title I, Part C Migrant Education Program definition of a migratory child is one who, or whose parents, spouse, or guardian is a migratory agricultural worker, including a migratory dairy worker, or migratory fisher; and who, in the preceding 36 months moved across school district lines on his/her own or to accompany such parent, spouse, or guardian in order to obtain or seek temporary or seasonal employment in agricultural or fishing work. The child is younger than 22 and has not graduated from high school or does not hold a high school equivalency certificate (this means that the child is entitled to a free public education or is of an age below compulsory school attendance).



## A Migratory Agricultural Worker



A person who, in the preceding 36 months, has moved from one school district to another in order to obtain temporary or seasonal employment in agricultural activities such as dairy and poultry.

## An Agricultural Activity

Any activity directly related to the production or processing of crops, dairy products, poultry, or livestock for initial commercial sale or personal subsistence. Some examples of qualifying activities, but are not limited to:

- Production and harvesting of crops such as: tobacco, cotton, fruits, onions, and nuts;



- Processing and storage activities such as: freezing, canning and packaging agricultural goods for commercial sale;
- Production and harvesting of horticultural crops such as: flower bulbs, plants, mushrooms, herbs and sod;
- Cultivating and harvesting of trees for Christmas or wood production;
- Forestry activities consisting of reforestation, thinning and vegetation control;



- Ranch and dairy duties related to the production/processing of milk and meat including the feeding of cattle for meat production; and

## An Agricultural Activity (cont'd)

- The raking, baling, and loading of pine straw needles and hay.



## A Migratory Fisher



A person who, in the previous 36 months, has moved from one school district to another in order to obtain temporary or seasonal employment in fishing activities. A fishing activity is any activity directly related to the catching or processing of fish or shellfish for initial commercial sale or personal subsistence.

Some examples of qualifying activities include, but are not limited to:

- Ocean trolling for oysters, crabs, and shrimp;
- Purse seiner, gill-netter, and reef fishing to catch fish such as: salmon, bottom fish (rock flat, lingcod); and
- Fresh and salt-water fishing and fishing in or on inherited fishing grounds, as well as in public waters.

## Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Do migrant parents have to fill out an application for their children to receive free lunch at school?**

No. Migrant children are automatically eligible once they are enrolled in the migrant program

2. **How are migrant students recruited?**

Each student enrolling in a Gwinnett County Public School is required to have an Occupational Survey, completed by his or her parent, during registration. Depending on the responses to questions on the survey, Title I personnel collaborates with the Georgia Department of Education Migrant Education Program (GADOE-MEP) Recruiters to contact potential families. The final determination of eligibility is made by the GADOE Migrant Education Office personnel.

3. **Is the Migrant Education Program available throughout the United States?**

Yes. The Migrant Education Program operates in 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

## Frequently Asked Questions (cont'd)

4. **What are some of the services available to migrant students?**

Some of the services include:

- Extended Learning Opportunities, such as: after-school tutoring, summer school, credit or grade recovery;
- In-Home Learning (for pre-school age children 3-5);
- Academic Materials;
- Counseling;
- Minor Health Services; and
- Limited Transportation (to and from school related events).

5. **What can I do if I know someone who might qualify for migrant services?**

If you know of a family that may be eligible for migrant services, advise the family to speak with an administrator at his or her child's school, or contact:

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