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Student Welcome Packet Requirements and Best Practices
TAC § 89.1605

Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) must provide welcome packets to students who are homeless or in foster care within the first two weeks of enrollment. LEAs may include the required welcome packet contents with any existing items being provided to new students.

Welcome Packet Required Items:

- ▶ **Extracurricular activities (e.g., fine arts, athletics, etc.)**
- ▶ **Club activities**
- ▶ **Information on fee waivers**
- ▶ **Tutoring opportunities**
- ▶ **Student code of conduct**
- ▶ **Contact information for pertinent school staff**

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  - ▷ Counselors
  - ▷ Nurses
  - ▷ Social workers
  - ▷ Foster Care Liaison
  - ▷ McKinney-Vento Liaison
  - ▷ Principal & assistance principals
  - ▷ Additional support staff (e.g., special education, EL contact, G/T contact, 504 programs, PRS.)

Additional Foster Care and McKinney-Vento Items:

- ⊕ Student clubs
- ⊕ After school programs
- ⊕ Enrichment programs
- ⊕ Mentor programs
- ⊕ Family engagement opportunities
- ⊕ Student ambassador programs
- ⊕ Post-secondary planning activities
- ⊕ Summer and holiday resources
- ⊕ Other community resources available in your area (e.g., FindHelp.org)