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MEMORANDUM

To: All Principals, School Counselors, Secretaries, Nurses & Homeless Service Providers  
From: Kimberly Michalek, Assistant Business Manager, Transportation Director & Homeless & Foster Liasion  
Date: March 12, 2020

SUBJECT: UNIFORM ASSISTANCE FOR HOMELESS STUDENTS

The Carbondale Area School District requires all students to wear uniforms to school in Pre K- 12. In implementing this policy, each school should be sensitive to the challenges faced by homeless students and families. No child's education should be interrupted due to lack of school uniform. Schools can work to ensure that homeless families are able to obtain uniforms for their children in the following ways:

- Schools may send a letter to the parents/guardians of all students, requesting that they contact the school if they require assistance in obtaining uniforms.
  - Schools may use their "in house" supply of uniforms to assist the student.
- Schools may complete a Title 1 form for assistance with school uniforms. Assistance forms should be returned to the Title Program Manager.
- Schools are unable to deny access to students experiencing homelessness that do not have a uniform.
- Schools are unable to deny access to students that do not have a specific logo on their uniform.

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