

# Useful Resources for Arkansas Foster Care Liaisons

## **Arkansas Resources**

- The [Current ADE/DCFS MOU](#) - please share your thoughts/questions with [David Terrell](#) as this MOU is currently under revision
- [Lists of local contacts](#)
  - Look for your local county(-ies).
  - Look for the *County Supervisor*, or another supervisor, in that office.
- The [area map](#) for the Division of Children and Family Services (DCFS)
  - The state is divided into 10 areas, and the attached lists of contacts are divided according to the areas.
- [Legal Language](#) for Educational Stability for Arkansas Students in Foster Care (includes both Arkansas and federal statutes)
- [Sample forms](#)
  - Sample best interest determination form from Maryland
  - Sample interagency agreement for transportation, a general version and specific examples from Georgia and Virginia
  - Sample individual student transportation plan, a general version
  - Watch for more templates to come
- A [blank CFS-384](#) - Notification to Local Education Agency of Changes in Child Placement, Changes in Schools or Experiences of Traumatic Events
- The [McKinney Vento/Foster Care training](#) provided by Sherry Breckenridge in Wynne School District ([sbreckenridge@wynneschools.org](mailto:sbreckenridge@wynneschools.org); (870) 587-0350)
- [Providing Coordinated Services to Students Experiencing Foster Care, Homelessness, and Migrant Living](#) (Video)

## **National Resources**

- Dear Colleague Letter - Dept of Ed (12/2016)  
<https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/16-021539dclfostercare.pdf>
- Dear Colleague Letter - Joint; Dept of Ed and Dept of Health and Human Services (06/2016)  
<https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/edhhseffectivedatesdcl.pdf>
- Foster Care Transition Toolkit (05/2016)  
<http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/foster-care/youth-transition-toolkit.pdf>
- Fostering Connections: Implementation Toolkit (09/2011)  
[http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?EntryId=1843&Command=Core\\_Download&method=inline&PortalId=0&TabId=124](http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?EntryId=1843&Command=Core_Download&method=inline&PortalId=0&TabId=124)
- Legal Center for Foster Care and Education: Blueprint for Change (2014)  
[http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/Database.aspx?EntryId=1624&Command=Core\\_Download&method=inline](http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/Database.aspx?EntryId=1624&Command=Core_Download&method=inline)
- Legal Center for Foster Care and Education: Implementation Checklist 1 (2016)

[http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?portalid=0&EntryId=2027&Command=Core\\_Download](http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?portalid=0&EntryId=2027&Command=Core_Download)

- Legal Center for Foster Care and Education: Implementation Checklist 2 (2016)  
[http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?portalid=0&EntryId=2094&Command=Core\\_Download](http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?portalid=0&EntryId=2094&Command=Core_Download)
- Legal Center for Foster Care and Education: Implementing ESSA's Transportation Procedures: How Local Education Agencies Can Work with Child Welfare to Ensure Educational Stability  
[http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?portalid=0&EntryId=2093&Command=Core\\_Download](http://www.fostercareandeducation.org/DesktopModules/Bring2mind/DMX/Download.aspx?portalid=0&EntryId=2093&Command=Core_Download)
- Non-Regulatory Guidance: Ensuring Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care (2016)  
<https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/essa/edhhsfostercarenonregulatorguide.pdf>