

## Identification of and Services for Migrant Students

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A child who is eligible for the Migrant Education Program is defined as: A child who is, or whose parent, spouse, or guardian is a, a migratory agricultural worker, including a migratory dairy worker, or a migratory fisher, and who, in the proceeding 36 months, in order to obtain, or accompany such parent, spouse, or guardian in order to obtain, temporary or seasonal employment in agriculture or fishing work has moved from one school district to another.

Therefore, students who move at least once within a 36 month period would qualify if they, their spouse or their primary care provider is engaged in migratory agricultural or fishing employment. Final determination of eligibility for these services is made by the Vermont Department of Education. Follow the steps outlined below to support the student in obtaining specialized funding to support their educational growth:

1. Have the family/student complete the Vermont Migrant Education Program referral [form](#) and the Agricultural Employment [form](#). Send these to the Vermont Migrant Education Program at the UVM Extension Office. Their address is on the forms.
2. After receiving official notice either from the Vermont Department of Education or the Director of Student Support Services for the LNSU, conduct an EST team meeting and complete the Vermont Migrant Education Program Mini-Grant Application. Parents need to be involved in the development of the mini-grant application. They can attend the meeting or school staff can use alternate measures to obtain their input. Mini-grants need to include requests for services or resources for the individual child that will help solidify their learning experiences. Send a copy to the LNSU Director of Student Support Services and one to the Vermont Department of Education using the address on the form.
3. Mini-grants requests may include supports such as:
  - a. Instructional support
  - b. Free books
  - c. School and home coordination
  - d. Preschool support
  - e. After school or summer services
  - f. Literacy based activities for families in their homes



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