

Every Student Succeeds Act: Foster Care Overview

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New guidelines and resources to support children in foster care.

Some new provisions take effect on Dec. 10, 2016.



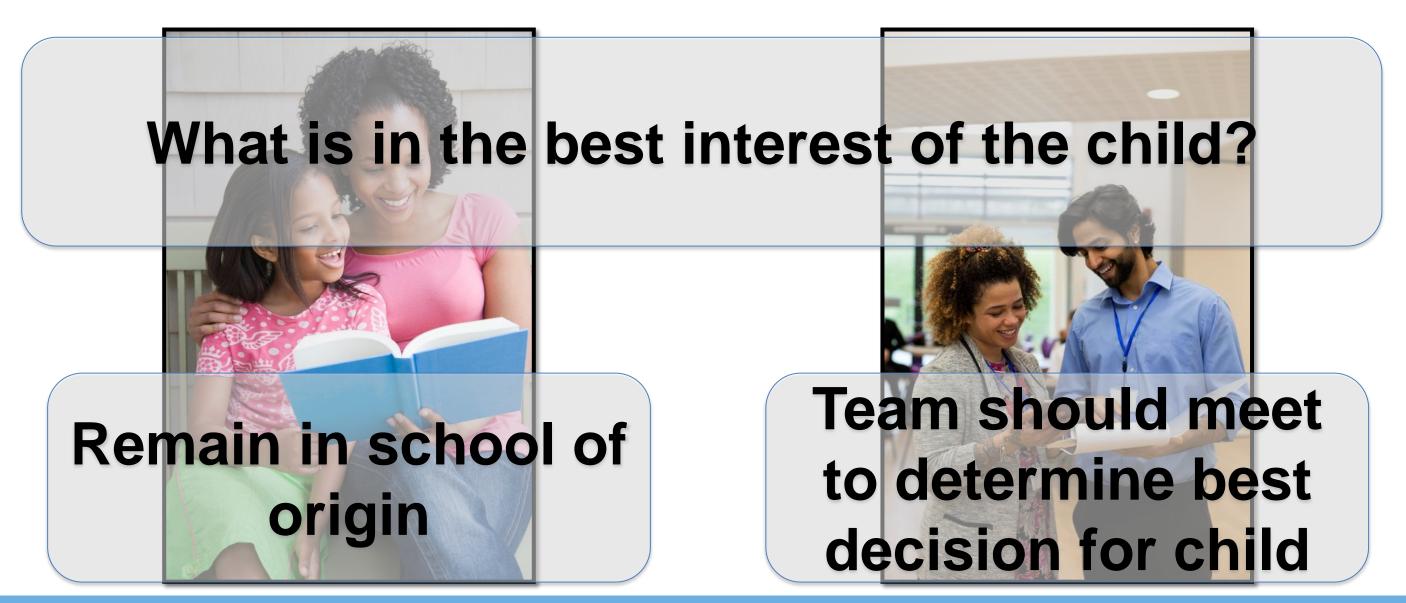
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School Districts

State and local child welfare agencies



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If it is not in the student's best interest to remain in the school of origin, the child should be immediately enrolled in the new school



Do not wait for student records, enrolling school should immediately contact the school of origin to obtain relevant academic records.



Districts must designate a foster care point of contact to work with the local child protection agency.

Coordinate with child welfare agencies

Lead the development of best interest determination for the student

Facilitate records transfer

Ensure foster students are enrolled and regularly attending school





24-hour substitute care for children placed away from their parents or guardians and for whom the child protection agency has placement and care responsibility





Collaboration and joint decision making between districts and child protection agencies

Enhance similar provisions governing child welfare agencies

Educational stability of children in foster care is a joint responsibility between schools and child welfare agencies

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Dec. 10 Effective Date



