

# EVERY JOURNEY COUNTS!



## MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM



THE PURPOSE OF THE MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM (MEP) IS TO ENSURE THAT CHILDREN OF MIGRANT WORKERS HAVE ACCESS TO THE SAME FREE, APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION, INCLUDING PUBLIC PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION, PROVIDED TO THEIR CHILDREN.



**IF YOU CAN DREAM IT,  
YOU CAN DO IT**



## ABOUT US

Essex Regional Educational Services Commission (ERESC) was established in 1979 to provide mandated educational programs and administrative services in a cost effective and efficient manner. ERES C is a public, non-profit agency that derives its authority pursuant to 18A:6-51 et. seq.

ERESC operates three special education and alternative schools: Essex Junior Academy, Essex Campus Academy and Essex High School. In addition, the ERES C operates an educational program at the Essex County youth detention center. Sojourn High School and serves students through grades 7th and 12th.



**WE  
WANT  
TO**

identify, recruit and enroll eligible migrant children in school and in the Migrant Education Program, immediately upon their arrival in New Jersey.



**OUR  
PURPOSE  
IS TO**

ensure that migrant children have the opportunity to meet the same challenging state content standards and challenging student performance standards all children are expected to



**WE WILL  
PROVIDE**

necessary health and other support services necessary for successful participation in instructional activities.



# STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Children who are migrants and have had the basis for the MEP eligibility properly recorded may receive services. A child is eligible for MEP services if he or she:

**01** Is younger than 22  
(and has not graduated from high school or does not hold a high school equivalency certificate), but, if the child is too young to attend school-sponsored programs, is old enough to benefit from an organized instructional program; AND

**02** Is a migrant agricultural worker or a migrant fisher OR has a parent, spouse, migrant fisher OR has a parent, spouse, worker or a migrant fisher; AND

**03** Performs, or has a parent, spouse, or guardian who performs, qualifying agricultural or fishing employment as a principal means of livelihood; AND

**04** Has moved within the preceding 3 years to obtain, or to accompany or join a parent, spouse, or guardian to obtain, temporary or seasonal employment in agricultural or fishing work; AND

**05** Has moved from one school district to another.



# CONTACT US TODAY!

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