

## **GULF SCHOOL DISTRICT HOMELESS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**ELIGIBILITY:** A STUDENT OR THE STUDENT'S FAMILY IS TEMPORARILY RESIDING WITH A FRIEND, RELATIVE OR OTHER DUE TO LOSS OF HOUSING, ECONOMIC HARDSHIP OR A SIMILAR REASON OR AT SOME OTHER LOCATION OTHER THAN A PERSONAL RESIDENCE (i.e. MOTEL, HOTELS, TEMPORARY TRAILER SPACE PARKS OR CAMP GROUND, CARS, ABANDONED BUILDINGS OR SIMILAR SETTINGS) OR AWAITING FOSTER CARE PLACEMENT. IF THE FAMILY SHARES ADEQUATE HOUSING DUE TO CULTURAL PREFERENCE OR CONVENIENCE, THEN THE STUDENT IS NOT CONSIDERED HOMELESS. ALSO, FAMILIES WHO ARE SHARING HOUSING ON A PERMANENT BASIS ARE UNLIKELY TO BE ELIGIBLE.

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### **SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND GUIDANCE COUNSELORS:**

PORT ST. JOE ELEMENTARY – 227-1221

PORT ST. JOE HIGH – 229-8251

WEWAHITCHKA ELEMENTARY – 639-2476

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### **SERVICES:**

- ❖ IMMEDIATE ENTRY INTO THE SCHOOL SYSTEM
- ❖ FREE LUNCH ELIGIBILITY
- ❖ SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO SUPPORT ACADEMIC ENDEAVORS
- ❖ SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES
- ❖ COUNSELING
- ❖ CONNECTION TO SOCIAL SERVICES-REFERRAL TO HEALTH CARE SERVICES, DENTAL SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SERVICES
- ❖ TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE SCHOOL OF ORIGIN

### **COMMUNITY AGENCIES/ASSISTANCE :**

GULF COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT – 227-1276; 639-2789

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE – 229-8440

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION- WEWAHTICHKA – 639-2661; 639-3526; 639-2744; 639-2789

PORT ST. JOE – 227-1552; 227-1724; 227-1817