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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 1, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address *Pat\_Sherrill@ed.gov*, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested,

e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

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**Kent H. Hannaman,**

*Leader, Information Management Group,  
Office of the Chief Financial and Chief  
Information Officer.*

*Office of Elementary and Secondary  
Education*

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Safe and Drug-Free Schools (SDFS) Recognition Program/Site Visits.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 130; Burden Hours: 2,760.

*Abstract:* The SDFS Recognition Program was established to recognize public and private schools that have demonstrated exemplary practices in creating safe and orderly learning environments. The newly redesigned program will focus on: (1) research-based principles; (2) collaboration with partners and/or co-sponsors at the federal, state, and local levels (both public and private); and (3) effective diffusion of knowledge about what works to prevent drug use and violence among youth. The purpose of the site visits is to validate information contained in the applications. The site visit write-ups will be provided to the reviewers to help them make their final recommendations, and will become part of the school's file.

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the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

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**Kent H. Hannaman,**

*Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer.*

*Office of Postsecondary Education*

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Federal PLUS Loan Program Application Documents.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Business or other for-profits; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 100,000;

*Burden Hours:* 50,000.

*Abstract:* This application form and promissory note is the means by which a parent borrower applies for a Federal PLUS Loan and promises to repay the loan, and a school, lender, and guaranty agency certifies the parent borrower's eligibility to receive a PLUS loan.

*Office of Educational Research and Improvement*

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) Field Test.

*Frequency:* One Time.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 1,860.

*Burden Hours:* 4,825.

*Abstract:* PISA will collect policy-oriented and internationally comparable indicators of student achievement at the end of secondary school on a timely and regular basis (every three years). For comparability with other education systems around the world, 15 year old students will be assessed in the U.S. and comparisons of results will be made with approximately 30 countries.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection requests.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by December 31, 1998. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 1, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget; 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address [Pat\\_Sherrill@ed.gov](mailto:Pat_Sherrill@ed.gov), or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

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**Kent H. Hannaman,**

*Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

*Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Title I State Plan for Vocational Rehabilitation Services and Title VI-Part B Supplement for Supported Employment Services.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses:* 82; *Burden Hours:* 1,002,050.

*Abstract:* The Workforce Investment Act of 1988 (WIA) requires the submittal of the Title I State Plan for Vocational Rehabilitation Services and a supplement to the Plan for Supported Employment Services on the same date that the state submits its state plan under WIA. Some states may be submitting plans as early as April 1, 1999. Program funding is contingent on