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*Title:* Associated Form; and OMB Number: United States Air Force Academy Writing Sample; United States Air Force Academy Form 0-878; OMB Number 0701-0147.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain data on candidate's background and aptitude in determining eligibility and selection to the Air Force Academy.

*Affected Public:* Individuals and households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 4100.

*Number of Respondents:* 4100.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 60 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Summary of Information Collection**

The information collected on this form is required by 10 U.S.C. 9346. The respondents are students who are applying for admission to the United States Air Force Academy. Each student's background and aptitude is reviewed to determine eligibility. If the information on this form is not collected, the individual cannot be considered for admittance to the Air Force Academy.

Dated: March 6, 2006.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. The closed Executive Session will be held on Monday, March 6, 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the U.S. Naval Academy in the Midshipmen Common Area of Mitscher Hall, Annapolis, Maryland.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lieutenant Commander Marc D. Boran, Executive Secretary to the Board of Visitors, Office of the Superintendent, U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD 21402-5000, 410-293-1503.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice of meeting is provided per the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The Executive Session of the meeting will consist of discussions of personnel issues at the Naval Academy and internal Board of Visitors matters. Discussion of such information cannot be adequately segregated from other topics, which precludes opening the executive session of this meeting to the public. Accordingly, the Secretary of the Navy has determined in writing that the meeting shall be partially closed to the public because it will be concerned with matters listed in section 552b(c)(2), (5), (6), (7) and (9) of title 5, United States Code.

Dated: March 2, 2006.

**Eric McDonald,**

*Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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previously submitted application and does not have to submit a new application to the Department to receive its FY 2006 SRSA grant award.

An eligible LEA that is required to submit an application (in other words, an LEA that did not submit an application in a prior year) must do so by the deadline in this notice in order to receive its grant award by September 30, 2006. An eligible LEA that is required to submit an application and does not do so by the deadline in this notice might not receive its grant award until after September 30, 2006.

*Application Deadline:* June 2, 2006, 4:30 p.m. Eastern time.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Which LEAs Are Eligible for an Award Under the SRSA Program?**

An LEA is eligible for an award under the SRSA program if—

(a) The total number of students in average daily attendance at all of the schools served by the LEA is fewer than 600, or each county in which a school served by the LEA is located has a total population density of fewer than 10 persons per square mile; and

(b) All of the schools served by the LEA are designated with a school locale code of 7 or 8 by the Department's National Center for Education Statistics, or the Secretary has determined, based on a demonstration by the LEA and concurrence of the SEA, that the LEA is located in an area defined as rural by a governmental agency of the State.

**Which Eligible LEAs Need Not Submit an Additional Application To Receive a FY 2006 SRSA Grant Award?**

Under the regulations in 34 CFR 75.104(a), the Secretary makes grants only to an eligible party that submits an application. Given the limited purpose served by an application under this program, the Secretary considers this requirement to be met if the LEA submitted an SRSA application for a prior year. In this circumstance, unless the LEA advises the Secretary by the application deadline that it is withdrawing its application, the Secretary deems the application that the LEA previously submitted to remain in effect for FY 2006 funding, and the LEA does not have to submit an additional application. All other eligible LEAs must submit a new application to receive a FY 2006 grant award.

We intend to provide, by May 1, 2006, a list of LEAs eligible for FY 2006 funds on the Department's Web site at <http://www.ed.gov/programs/reapsrsa/index.html>. The Web site will also indicate which of these eligible LEAs must submit a new application to the

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Navy**

**Meeting of the U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of partially closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors will meet to make such inquiry, as the Board shall deem necessary into the state of morale and discipline, the curriculum, instruction, physical equipment, fiscal affairs, and academic methods of the Naval Academy. The meeting will include discussions of personnel issues at the Naval Academy, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. The executive session of this meeting will be closed to the public.

**DATES:** The open session of the meeting will be held on Monday, March 6, 2006,

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[CFDA No. 84.358A]

**Small, Rural School Achievement Program**

**AGENCY:** Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice announcing application deadline.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) Program, the Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education awards grants on a formula basis to eligible local educational agencies (LEAs) to address the unique needs of rural school districts. In this notice, we establish the deadline for submission of fiscal year (FY) 2006 SRSA grant applications.

If an eligible LEA submitted an application for SRSA grant funds in a prior year, it is considered to have met the application requirement based on its

Department to receive their FY 2006 SRSA grant award, and which eligible LEAs are considered already to have met the application requirement.

Eligible LEAs that must submit a new application in order to receive FY 2006 SRSA funding must do so electronically by the deadline established in this notice in order to receive their grant by September 30, 2006.

**Electronic Submission of Applications:** Unless it is listed on the Department's Web site as not required to submit a new application, an eligible LEA that seeks FY 2006 SRSA funding must submit an electronic application by June 2, 2006, 4:30 p.m. Eastern time in order to receive its grant award by September 30, 2006. Submission of an electronic application involves the use of the Department's Electronic Grant Application System (e-Application) available through the Department's e-GRANTS system.

You can access the electronic application for the SRSA Program at: <http://e-grants.ed.gov>.

Once you access this site, you will receive specific instructions regarding the information to include in your application.

The regular hours of operation of the e-Grants Web site are 6 a.m. Monday until 7 p.m. Wednesday; and 6 a.m. Thursday until midnight, Saturday (Washington, DC time). Please note that the system is unavailable on Sundays, Federal holidays, and after 7 p.m. on Wednesdays for maintenance (Washington, DC time).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Hitchcock, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3E243, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: (202) 401-0039 or via Internet: [reap@ed.gov](mailto:reap@ed.gov).

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**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 7345-7345b.

Dated: February 28, 2006.

**Henry L. Johnson,**

*Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Office of Elementary and Secondary Education; Overview Information; Alaska Native Education Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2006

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA)

*Number:* 84.356A

*Dates:* Applications Available: March 13, 2006.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* April 27, 2006.

*Eligible Applicants:* (a) Alaska Native organizations;

(b) Educational entities with experience in developing or operating Alaska Native programs or programs of instruction conducted in Alaska Native languages;

(c) Cultural and community-based organizations with experience in developing or operating programs to benefit Alaska Natives; and

(d) Consortia of organizations and entities described in this paragraph to carry out activities that meet the purposes of this program.

**Note:** A State educational agency or local educational agency may apply for an award under this program only as part of a consortium involving an Alaska Native organization. The consortium may include other eligible applicants.

*Estimated Available Funds:* \$16,300,000. Contingent upon the availability of funds and the quality of applications, the Secretary may make additional awards in FY 2007 from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition.

*Estimated Range of Awards:* \$300,000-\$700,000.

*Estimated Average Size of Awards:* \$500,000.

*Estimated Number of Awards:* 20-40.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

*Project Period:* Up to 36 months.

## Full Text of Announcement

### I. Funding Opportunity Description

*Purpose of Program:* The purpose of this program is to develop and support supplemental educational programs to benefit Alaska Natives. Permissible activities under this program include the following: (1) Development and implementation of plans, methods, and strategies to improve the education of Alaska Natives; (2) Development of curricula and educational programs that address the educational needs of Alaska Native students; (3) Professional development activities for educators; (4) Development and operation of home instruction programs for Alaska Native preschool children, to ensure the active involvement of parents in their children's education from the earliest ages; (5) Family literacy services; (6) Development and operation of student enrichment programs in science and mathematics; (7) Research and data collection activities to determine the educational status and needs of Alaska Native children and adults; (8) Other research and evaluation activities related to programs carried out under Alaska Native education programs; (9) Remedial and enrichment programs to assist Alaska Native students in performing at a high level on standardized tests; (10) Education and training of Alaska Native students enrolled in a degree program that will lead to certification or licensing as teachers; (11) Parenting education for parents and caregivers of Alaska Native children to improve parenting and caregiving skills (including skills relating to discipline and cognitive development and parenting education provided through in-home visitation of new mothers); (12) Activities carried out through Even Start programs under subpart 3 of part B of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA), and Head Start programs under the Head Start Act, including the training of teachers for Even Start and Head Start programs; (13) Other early learning and preschool programs; (14) Dropout prevention programs; (15) Career preparation activities to enable Alaska Native children and adults to prepare for meaningful employment, including programs providing "tech-prep," mentoring, training, and apprenticeship activities; (16) Provision of operational support and purchasing of equipment to