

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**[Docket No.: ED–2012–OPE–0036]****Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Annual Performance Report for the Gaining Early Awareness for Undergraduate Programs****AGENCY:** Department of Education (ED), Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing [insert one of the following options; a revision of a previously approved information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 28, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting Docket ID number ED–2012–ICCD–0036 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 2E117, Washington, DC 20202–4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Electronically mail ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please do not send comments here.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. 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. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Annual Performance Report for the Gaining Early Awareness for Undergraduate Programs

OMB Control Number: 1840–0777

Type of Review: Revision of an existing collection of information
Respondents/Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 225

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 2,475

Abstract: The Annual Performance Report for Partnership and State Projects for Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) is a required report that grant recipients must submit annually. The purpose of this information collection is for accountability. The data is used to report on progress in meeting the performance objectives of GEAR UP, program implementation, and student outcomes. The data collected includes budget data on Federal funds and match contributions, demographic data, and data regarding services provided to students.

Dated: January 24, 2013.

Kate Mullan,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**[Docket No.: ED–2012–ICCD–0065]****Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Loan Cancellation in the Federal Perkins Loan Program****AGENCY:** Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 28, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting Docket ID number ED–2012–ICCD–0065 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 2E117, Washington, DC 20202–4537.

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Title of Collection: Loan Cancellation in the Federal Perkins Loan Program.

OMB Control Number: 1845–0100.

Type of Review: Extension without change of an existing collection of information.

Respondents/Affected Public: Private Sector, Individuals or Households, State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 123,022.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 46,135.

Abstract: This is a request for the renewal of the OMB approval for the recordkeeping requirements contained in 34 CFR 674.53, 674.56, 674.57, 674.58 and 674.59. The information collections in these regulations are necessary to determine Federal Perkins Loan borrower's eligibility to receive certain cancellation benefits and to prevent fraud and abuse of program funds.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Application for New Awards; Indian Education Formula Grants to Local Educational Agencies

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

ACTION: Notice.

Overview Information:

Indian Education Formula Grants to Local Educational Agencies.

Notice inviting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2013.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.060A.

DATES: Part I of the Formula Grant Electronic Application System for Indian Education (EASIE) Applications Available: January 14, 2013.

Deadline for Transmittal of Part I Applications: March 8, 2013.

Part II of the Formula Grant EASIE Applications Available: March 29, 2013.

Deadline for Transmittal of Part II Applications: May 14, 2013.

Note: Applicants must meet the deadlines for both EASIE Part I and Part II to receive a grant. Any application not meeting the Part I and Part II deadlines will not be considered for funding. This change is being initiated in order to be consistent with Department-wide policy, and ensure that applicants who meet the deadlines receive the maximum amount of available funding. Other changes to

application procedures are explained in section IV.2 *Content and Form of Application Submission*, and IV.7 *Other Submission Requirements*.

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The Indian Education Formula Grants to Local Educational Agencies program provides grants to support local educational agencies (LEAs) and other eligible entities described in this notice in reforming and improving elementary and secondary school programs that serve Indian students. The Department funds comprehensive programs that are designed to help Indian students meet the same State academic content and student academic achievement standards used for all students while addressing the language and cultural needs of Indian students. Such programs include supporting the professional development of teachers of Indian students.

In addition, under section 7116 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA), the Secretary will, upon receipt of an acceptable plan for the integration of education and related services, and in cooperation with other relevant Federal agencies, authorize the entity receiving the funds under this program to consolidate all Federal formula funds that are to be used exclusively for Indian students. Instructions for submitting an integration of education and related services plan are included in the EASIE, which is described elsewhere in this notice under *Application Process and Submission Information*.

Note: Under the Indian Education Formula Grants to Local Educational Agencies program, applicants are required to develop the project for which an application is made: (a) In open consultation with parents and teachers of Indian students and, if appropriate, Indian students from secondary schools, including through public hearings held to provide a full opportunity to understand the program and to offer recommendations regarding the program (section 7114(c)(3)(C) of the ESEA); (b) with the participation of a parent committee selected in accordance with section 7114(c)(4) of the ESEA; and, (c) with the written approval of that parent committee (section 7114(c)(4) of the ESEA).

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7421 et seq.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 84, 97, 98, and 99. (b) The Education Department suspension and debarment regulations in 2 CFR part 3485.

Note: The regulations in 34 CFR part 79 apply to all applicants except federally recognized Indian tribes.

II. Award Information

Type of Award: Indian Education Formula Grants to Local Educational Agencies.

Estimated Available Funds: The Administration has requested \$105,921,000 for this program for FY 2013. The actual level of funding, if any, depends on final congressional action. However, we are inviting applications to allow enough time to complete the grant process if Congress appropriates funds for this program.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$4,000 to \$2,880,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$82,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 1,300.

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

Project Period: 12 months.

III. Eligibility Information

1. **Eligible Applicants:** Certain LEAs, including charter schools authorized as LEAs under State law, as prescribed by section 7112(b) of the ESEA, certain schools funded by the Bureau of Indian Education of the U.S. Department of the Interior, as prescribed by section 7113(d) of the ESEA, and Indian tribes under certain conditions, as prescribed by section 7112(c) of the ESEA.

2. a. **Cost Sharing or Matching:** This program does not require cost sharing or matching.

b. **Supplement-Not-Supplant:** This program involves supplement-not-supplant funding requirements. Section 7114(c)(1) of ESEA states that the LEA will use these grant funds only to supplement the funds that, in the absence of these Federal funds, such agency would make available for the education of Indian children, and not to supplant such funds.

IV. Application Process and Submission Information

1. **How to Request an Application:** Applications for grants under this program must be submitted electronically using the Formula Grant EASIE, at <https://eden.ed.gov/Survey/>. For information (including dates and times) about how to submit your application electronically, or in paper format by mail or hand delivery if you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirements, please refer to section IV.7. *Other Submission Requirements* of this notice.

Individuals with disabilities can obtain a copy of the application package