

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, be faxed to (202) 395-5806 or e-mailed to

*oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov* with a cc: to *ICDocketMgr@ed.gov*. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

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Dated: January 7, 2011.

**Darrin A. King,**

*Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

#### **Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title of Collection:* TEACH Grant

Supplementary Data Collection.

*OMB Control Number:* 1840-NEW.

*Agency Form Number(s):* N/A.

*Frequency of Responses:* Biennially.

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

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 488.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 488.

*Abstract:* The Secretary of Education is required to report to Congress about the TEACH Grant Program, including the student's: (1) Eligible field of study and (2) cost of education. The Secretary includes these data elements as part of a report submitted to congressional

authorizing committees with respect to schools and students served by Teach Grant recipient schools. This report is required by Section 420P of the Higher Education Act, as amended by the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from the RegInfo.gov Web site at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> or from the Department's Web site at <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4430. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address *ICDocketMgr@ed.gov* or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection and OMB Control Number when making your request.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

##### **Notice of Submission for OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13). **DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 11, 2011.

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Dated: January 6, 2011.

**Darrin A. King,**

*Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

#### **Office of Vocational and Adult Education**

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title of Collection:* Measuring Educational Gain in the National Reporting System for Adult Education.

*OMB Control Number:* 1830-0567.

*Agency Form Number(s):* N/A.

*Frequency of Responses:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Government, State Educational Agencies or Local Educational Agencies.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 15.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 600.

*Abstract:* Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations part 462 establish procedures that the Secretary uses when considering the suitability of tests for use in the National Reporting System (NRS) for adult education. The regulations further the Department's implementation of section 212 of the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA). These regulations also include procedures that States and Local eligible providers would follow when using suitable tests. The AEFLA makes accountability for results a central focus of the law. It sets out performance accountability requirements for States and Local programs that measure program

effectiveness on the basis of student academic achievement and other outcomes.

Educational gain, is the key outcome measure in the NRS, which describes students' improvement in literacy skills during instruction. States are required to have their local programs assessments gained by administering standardized pre-post assessments to students, following valid administration procedures. The NRS Guidelines allow states to select the assessments most appropriate for their state, which may be published standardized tests or performance-based assessments. If the state uses performance-based assessments, NRS guidelines require the assessment to have standardized procedures and scoring rubrics that meet accepted psychometric standards.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Indian Education Formula Grants to Local Educational Agencies; Office of Elementary and Secondary Education Overview Information; Notice Inviting Applications for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011

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 13, 2011.

Deadline for Transmittal of Part I Applications: February 14, 2011, 11:59:59 p.m., Washington, DC time.

Part II of Formula Grant (EASIE) Applications Available: April 4, 2011.

Deadline for Transmittal of Part II Applications: May 6, 2011, 11:59:59 p.m., Washington, DC time.

Applicants must meet the deadlines for both Part I and Part II to receive funds as part of the initial grant awards, which are expected to be issued around July 1, 2011. If there are funds remaining after the initial grant awards are made, the Department will give priority to applicants that filed a timely application for Part I, but missed the deadline for Part II. Applicants that missed the Part I deadline will only be funded if there are funds remaining after awards are made to all applicants that met the Part I deadline (including those applicants that met the Part I deadline, but missed the Part II deadline).

*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* July 5, 2011.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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 their efforts to reform and improve elementary and secondary school programs that serve Indian students. The Department funds programs designed to help Indian students meet the same State academic content and student academic achievement standards used for all 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, authorize the entity receiving the funds under this program to consolidate, in accordance with the entity's plan, the funds for any Federal program exclusively serving Indian children, or the funds reserved under any Federal program to exclusively serve Indian children, that are awarded under a statutory or administrative formula to the entity, for the purpose of providing education and related services to Indian students. Instructions for submitting an integration of education and related services plan are included in the EASIE 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 application is made (a) in open consultation with parents of Indian children and teachers 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 with the written approval of that parent committee (section 7114(c)(4) of the ESEA).

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

#### *Application Process and Submission Information:*

Applications for grants under this program must be submitted electronically unless you qualify for an exception to this requirement in accordance with the instructions in this section. We will reject your application if you submit it in paper format unless, as described elsewhere in this section, you qualify for one of the exceptions to the electronic submission requirement and submit, no later than two weeks before the application deadline dates for both Part I and Part II applications, a written statement to the Department that you qualify for one of these exceptions. Further information regarding calculation of the date that is two weeks before the application deadline date is provided later in this section under *Exception to Electronic Submission Requirement*.

Formula Grant EASIE Electronic Application System: Formula Grant EASIE is an easy-to-use, electronic application system. It communicates with data from State submissions to *EDFacts*, the Department's data collection system that contains performance information from State educational agencies about schools and Federal education programs. To the extent that your State has provided the necessary *EDFacts* data files, Formula Grant EASIE will be able to interface with *EDFacts* and pull those LEA-specific data into the application. Additionally, this system allows the Department to review applications and interact online with applicants during the application review and approval process.

The Formula Grant EASIE application is divided into two parts—Part I and Part II.

Part I, Student Count, provides the appropriate data-entry screens to submit your Indian student count totals.

Part II, Program and Budget Information, provides your award