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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Cory Neal, 202–987–0438.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department 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:* Application for the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) Program (1894–0001).

*OMB Control Number:* 1840–0792.

*Type of Review:* A revision of a currently approved ICR.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* Private Sector.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 60.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 6,600.

*Abstract:* Under the Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad (GPA) program, the Secretary awards grants to eligible institutions, departments, and organizations to conduct overseas group projects in research, training, and curriculum development. These institutions administer the program in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education (US/ED) as provided under the authority of sections 102(b)(6) and 104(e)(1) of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, 34 CFR part 662, the Policy Statements of the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB), and the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR).

This is a revision to an existing collection. ED/IFLE is removing Competitive Preference Priority 6: Thematic Focus on Ukraine or Afghanistan because only 1 applicant out of 43 applications for FY 2023

applied for the priority. This applicant was not eligible for the points. No applications received points for this priority. This revision will have no effect on hour or cost burden.

This collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1894–0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

Dated: July 26, 2023.

**Kun Mullan,**

*PRA Coordinator, Strategic Collections and Clearance, Governance and Strategy Division, Office of Chief Data Officer, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2023–SCC–0069]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; REL Pacific Efficacy and Implementation Evaluation of the Secondary Writing Toolkit

**AGENCY:** Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing a new information collection request (ICR).

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 30, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain) to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check the “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. [Reginfo.gov](http://Reginfo.gov) provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the “View Information Collection (IC) List” link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Anousheh Shayestehpour, 202–987–1148.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department 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:* REL Pacific Efficacy and Implementation Evaluation of the Secondary Writing Toolkit.

*OMB Control Number:* 1850–NEW.

*Type of Review:* A new ICR.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* Individuals and Households. *Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 1,705.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 416.

*Abstract:* The current authorization for the Regional Educational Laboratories (REL) program is under the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002, part D, section 174, (20 U.S.C. 9564), administered by the Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences (IES), National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance (NCEE). The central mission and primary function of the RELs is to support applied research and provide technical assistance to state and local education agencies within their region (ESRA, part D, section 174(f)). The REL program’s goal is to partner with educators and policymakers to conduct work that is change-oriented and supports meaningful local, regional, or state decisions about education policies, programs, and practices to improve outcomes for students.

Literacy, including writing, is closely tied to student success throughout K–12 education, which impacts high school graduation (National Institute for Literacy, 2008; NCES, 2020) and ultimately, income beyond graduation (US Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2019). Despite the importance of writing to life and learning, teachers report that the training they receive on teaching writing, both prior to entering the field

and while teaching, is minimal or insufficient (Graham, 2019). To address this problem, the REL PA toolkit development team is developing a Secondary Writing Toolkit to support teachers in implementing Hawai'i evidence-based instructional strategies to improve writing among students in grades 6–8. The toolkit is based on the Teaching Secondary Students to Write Effectively WWC Practice Guide and is being developed in collaboration with district and school partners in Hawai'i.

REL Pacific will design the Toolkit to help teachers improve their writing instruction so that students in Hawai'i become stronger, more effective writers. The Toolkit uses Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) facilitated by one of the teachers in the school (peer facilitator) to help teachers learn new instructional skills. Teachers also have access to instructional resources as part of the Toolkit to support their use of evidence-based strategies in their classrooms.

This study is designed to measure the efficacy and implementation of the REL Pacific-developed toolkit designed to improve writing among students in grades 6–8. The toolkit evaluation team plans to conduct an independent evaluation using a school-level, cluster randomized controlled trial design to assess the efficacy of the school-based professional learning resources included in the toolkit. The evaluation will also assess how teachers and facilitators implement the toolkit to provide context for the efficacy findings and guidance to improve the toolkit and its future use. The evaluation will take place in 40 schools in Hawai'i and focus on all students in grades 6–8. The toolkit evaluation will produce a report for district and school leaders who are considering strategies to improve writing among secondary students. The report will provide guidance on using the Toolkit professional development and resources to help teachers implement the Practice Guide (PG) recommendations.

Dated: July 26, 2023.

**Stephanie Valentine,**

*PRA Coordinator, Strategic Collections and Clearance, Governance and Strategy Division, Office of Chief Data Officer, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2023–SCC–0077]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Program for International Student Assessment 2025 (PISA 2025) Main Study Recruitment and Field Test

**AGENCY:** National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing a revision of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 30, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain) to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check the “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. *Reginfo.gov* provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the “View Information Collection (IC) List” link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by clicking on the “View Supporting Statement and Other Documents” link.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Carrie Clarady, 202–245–6347.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department 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:* Program for International Student Assessment 2025 (PISA 2025) Main Study Recruitment and Field Test.

*OMB Control Number:* 1850–0755.

*Type of Review:* A revision of a currently approved ICR.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* Individuals and Households.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 58,672.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 18,903.

*Abstract:* The Program for International Student Assessments (PISA) is an international assessment of 15-year-olds, which focuses on assessing students' reading, mathematics, and science literacy. PISA was first administered in 2000 and is typically conducted every three years. The United States has participated in all of the previous cycles and planned to participate in 2021 in order to track trends and to compare the performance of U.S. students with that of students in other education systems. PISA is sponsored by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). In the United States, PISA is conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), within the U.S. Department of Education.

In each administration of PISA, one of the subject areas (reading, mathematics, or science literacy) is the major domain and has the broadest content coverage, while the other two subjects are the minor domains. PISA emphasizes functional skills that students have acquired as they near the end of mandatory schooling (aged 15 years), and students' knowledge and skills gained both in and out of school environments. Other areas may also be assessed, such as, in the case of PISA 2025, Learning in a Digital World (LDW), which will be an innovative domain in 2025. PISA assesses students' knowledge and skills gained both in and out of school environments. In addition to the cognitive assessments described above, PISA 2025 will include questionnaires administered to school principals and assessed students. To prepare for the main study, PISA countries will conduct a field test in the spring of the year previous, primarily to evaluate newly developed assessment and questionnaire items but also to test the assessment operations. This request is to conduct PISA 2025 main study recruitment and the PISA 2025 field test. This submission requests all burden for both the field test (scheduled for early 2024) and the main study (scheduled for late 2025), and presents materials (including recruitment and