

evaluation. Two surveys will evaluate the knowledge and opinions of trainees before and after training. The final survey will be conducted annually and target trained personnel once they are out in the fleet. The survey findings will be utilized internally to inform future trainings and policy, close identified gaps in knowledge, and more effectively reach command personnel trained in suicide prevention and responsible for promoting a comprehensive approach to improving command climate. The surveys will also help determine the efficacy of the LivingWorks program and if it is the best use of DON resources based on the outcomes and return on investment.

Affected Public: Public is not affected by this collection; it is internal to the Navy.

Annual Burden Hours: 750.

Number of Respondents: 1,500.

Responses per Respondent: 3 in the first year, 1 in subsequent years.

Annual Responses: 4,500.

Average Burden per Response: 10 minutes.

Frequency: Three times in the first year, annually thereafter.

Dated: October 16, 2023.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Notice of Public Hearing and Business Meeting; November 8 and December 6, 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Delaware River Basin Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 8, 2023. A business meeting will be held the following month on Wednesday, December 6, 2023. Both the hearing and the business meeting are open to the public and both will be conducted remotely. Details about the remote platforms for the public hearing and the business meeting will be posted on the Commission's website, www.drbc.gov, at least ten days prior to the respective hearing and meeting dates. Both events will be streamed live on the Commission's YouTube channel.

Public Hearing. The Commission will conduct the public hearing virtually on November 8, 2023, commencing at 1:30 p.m. Hearing items will include draft dockets for withdrawals, discharges, and other projects that could have a substantial effect on the basin's water

resources. A list of the projects scheduled for hearing, including project descriptions, along with links to draft docket approvals, will be posted on the Commission's website, www.drbc.gov, in a long form of this notice at least ten days before the hearing date.

Written comments on matters scheduled for hearing on November 8, 2023 will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

The public is advised to check the Commission's website periodically during the ten days prior to the hearing date, as items scheduled for hearing may be postponed if additional time is needed to complete the Commission's review. Items also may be added up to ten days prior to the hearing date. In reviewing docket descriptions, the public is asked to be aware that the details of projects may change during the Commission's review, which is ongoing.

Business Meeting. The business meeting on December 6, 2023 will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will include: adoption of the Minutes of the Commission's September 7, 2023 business meeting; announcements of upcoming meetings and events; a report on hydrologic conditions; reports by the Executive Director and the Commission's General Counsel; and consideration of any items for which a hearing has been completed or is not required. The agenda is expected to include consideration of the draft dockets for withdrawals, discharges, and other projects that were subjects of the public hearing on November 8, 2023.

After all scheduled business has been completed and as time allows, the business meeting will be followed by up to one hour of Open Public Comment, an opportunity to address the Commission off the record on any topic concerning management of the basin's water resources outside the context of a duly noticed, on-the-record public hearing.

There will be no opportunity for additional public comment for the record at the December 6, 2023 business meeting on items for which a hearing was completed on November 8, 2023 or a previous date. Commission consideration on December 6, 2023 of items for which the public hearing is closed may result in approval of the item (by docket or resolution) as proposed, approval with changes, denial, or deferral. When the Commissioners defer an action, they may announce an additional period for written comment on the item, with or without an additional hearing date, or they may take additional time to consider the input they have already

received without requesting further public input. Any deferred items will be considered for action at a public meeting of the Commission on a future date.

Advance Registration and Sign-Up for Oral Comment. Links for registration to attend the public hearing and the business meeting will be posted at www.drbc.gov at least ten days before each meeting date. Registrants who wish to comment on the record during the public hearing on November 8, 2023 or to address the Commissioners informally during the Open Public Comment session following the meeting on December 6, 2023 as time allows, will be asked to so indicate when registering. The Commission's public hearing, business meeting, and Open Public Comment session will also be livestreamed on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/@DRBC_1961. For assistance, please contact Ms. Patricia Hausler of the Commission staff, at patricia.hausler@drbc.gov.

Addresses for Written Comment. Written comment on items scheduled for hearing may be made through the Commission's web-based comment system, a link to which is provided at www.drbc.gov. Use of the web-based system ensures that all submissions are captured in a single location and their receipt is acknowledged. Exceptions to the use of this system are available based on need, by writing to the attention of the Commission Secretary, DRBC, P.O. Box 7360, 25 Cosey Road, West Trenton, NJ 08628-0360. For assistance, please contact Patricia Hausler at patricia.hausler@drbc.gov.

Accommodation for Special Needs. Closed captioning will be available on both webinar and live-stream platforms. Those with limited internet access may listen and speak at virtual public meetings of the DRBC using any of several toll-free phone numbers that will be provided to all virtual meeting registrants.

Individuals in need of the accommodations as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act who wish to attend the meeting or hearing should contact the Commission Secretary directly at 609-883-9500 ext. 203 or through the Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) at 711, to discuss how we can accommodate your needs.

Additional Information, Contacts. Additional public records relating to hearing items may be examined at the Commission's offices by appointment by contacting Donna Woolf, 609-883-9500, ext. 222. For other questions concerning hearing items, please contact David Kovach, Project Review Section Manager, at 609-883-9500, ext. 264.

Authority. Delaware River Basin Compact, Public Law 87–328, Approved September 27, 1961, 75 Statutes at Large, 688, sec. 14.4.

Dated: October 11, 2023.

Pamela M. Bush,

Commission Secretary and Assistant General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2023–SCC–0183]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Evaluation of a Toolkit To Support Evidence-Based Writing Instruction in Grades 2 Through 4

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 December 19, 2023.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED–2023–SCC–0183. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) site is not available to the public for any reason, the Department will temporarily accept comments at ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please include the docket ID number and the title of the information collection request when requesting documents or submitting comments. Please note that comments 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 Manager of the Strategic Collections and Clearance Governance and Strategy Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave. SW, LBJ, Room 6W203, Washington, DC 20202–8240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Heidi Gansen, (202) 245–6765.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department, 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. The Department is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. 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: Evaluation of A Toolkit to Support Evidence-Based Writing Instruction in Grades 2 Through 4.

OMB Control Number: 1850–NEW.

Type of Review: New ICR.

Respondents/Affected Public:

Individuals or households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 4,176.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 1,234.

Abstract: The Institute of Education Sciences (IES) within the U.S. Department of Education (ED) requests clearance for data collection activities to support an evaluation of A Toolkit to Support Evidence-Based Writing Instruction in Grades 2 Through 4. Specifically, this request covers collection of data to conduct an evaluation to assess whether implementing the writing toolkit (1) improves teachers' attitudes towards writing and helps them align their writing instruction with the evidence-based recommendations in the What Works Clearinghouse (WWC) Teaching Elementary School Students to Be Effective Writers practice guide and (2) improves students' writing quality and reading achievement. This randomized controlled trial study will compare teacher and student outcomes in schools

that implement the writing toolkit (the treatment group) with the teacher and student outcomes in schools that continue to provide their usual professional development supports (the comparison group).

There is a great need for professional learning supports in elementary writing instruction to address low reading and writing proficiency across the country. Teacher preparation programs rarely offer stand-alone writing instruction (Myers et al. 2016; Morgan 2010; Brenner 2013), and surveys show many teachers and teacher educators do not feel confident in writing instruction (Myers et al. 2016; Cutler and Graham 2008). An accessible package of professional learning materials designed to help educators translate evidence-based recommendations for elementary writing instruction into daily instruction could be a game-changer for improving teacher practice and student writing.

The elementary writing toolkit aims to offer such an accessible, evidence-based professional learning package by drawing on the WWC Teaching Elementary School Students to Be Effective Writers practice guide. The practice guide helps to fill the professional development gaps for elementary writing instruction by providing clear, actionable recommendations along with specific implementation steps and examples. The toolkit will build on the practice guide to (1) make the recommendations and implementation guidance accessible and engaging for busy educators, (2) create a structure for learning and applying practices throughout a school year, (3) promote collaborative learning and planning among teachers, and (4) offer tools for sustaining practices over time. The toolkit will be a one-stop shop that enables schools and educators to access all supports in one place, complemented by diagnostic tools to assess practices and resources for school leaders to institutionalize practices over time. Incorporating multimedia resources that are easy to navigate will make the toolkit more inviting and will facilitate the reinforcement of concepts that are difficult to learn through text alone.

To provide context for the impact findings and inform further development of the toolkit, the evaluation will examine teachers' experiences and engagement in toolkit activities, the learning modules completed, challenges encountered and suggested solutions, feedback on areas to improve the toolkit and institutional supports, and the extent to which the professional development in writing