

Strategic Plan. The agenda may change to accommodate Board business. The final agenda will be posted on the MEP Advisory Board website at <http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board>.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Board's agenda for this meeting are requested to submit written comments via email in advance of the meeting. Approximately ten minutes will be reserved for public comments that were submitted in advance. These will be read on a first-come, first-served basis. Comments received will be shared to the Board by the Director of MEP, pending time available during the Board meeting. Please note that all submitted comments, including those not read during the meeting, will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection via the meeting minutes. The Board will not consider or deliberate on comments from the public during this period. All those wishing to submit a comment, must submit their comment via email to mepab@nist.gov by 5 p.m. eastern time, Friday, September 6, 2024.

Procedures for Attendance and Public Comment

All wishing to attend the MEP Advisory Board meeting must submit their name, organization, email address and phone number to Monica Claussen (mepab@nist.gov or 301-975-5020) no later than Friday, September 6, 2024, 5 p.m. eastern time. In person seating is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Detailed instructions on how to attend the meeting will be sent to registered attendees.

Tamiko Ford,

NIST Executive Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Charter Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees—Board of Visitors, National Defense University

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Renewal of Federal advisory committee.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the Board of Visitors, National Defense University (BoV NDU).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the DoD, 703-692-5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BoV NDU's charter is being renewed in accordance with chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.) (commonly known as "the Federal Advisory Committee Act"), and title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR chapter 102-3.50(d). The charter and contact information for the BoV NDU's Designated Federal Officer (DFO) are found at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicAgencyNavigation>.

The BoV NDU provides the Secretary of Defense and Deputy Secretary of Defense ("the DoD Appointing Authority"), or the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff with independent advice and recommendations on matters pertaining to the National Defense University specifically on matters pertaining to educate joint warfighters and other national security leaders in critical thinking and the creative application of military power to inform national strategy and globally integrated operations, under conditions of disruptive change, in order to prevail in war, peace, and competition. The BoV NDU is composed of no more than 12 members. Individual members are appointed according to DoD policy and procedures and serve a term of service of one-to-four years with annual renewals. One member will be appointed as Chair of the BoV NDU. No member, unless approved according to DoD policy and procedures, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service on the BoV NDU, or serve on more than two DoD Federal advisory committees at one time.

BoV NDU members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active-duty members of the Uniformed Services, are appointed as experts or consultants, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109, to serve as special government employee members. BoV NDU members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active-duty members of the Uniformed Services are appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.130(a), to serve as regular government employee members.

All members of the BoV NDU are appointed to provide advice based on their best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest. Except for reimbursement of official BoV NDU-

related travel and per diem, members serve without compensation.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements about the BoV NDU's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the BoV NDU. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the BoV NDU, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: August 14, 2024.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2024-SCC-0101]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; School Pulse Panel 2025-26 (SPP 2025-26) Preliminary Field Activities

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 revision of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 18, 2024.

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-2024-SCC-0101. 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 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 4C210, Washington, DC 20202–1200.

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

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: School Pulse Panel 2025–26 (SPP 2025–26) Preliminary Field Activities.

OMB Control Number: 1850–0975.

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

Respondents/Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 6,339.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 2,525.

Abstract: The School Pulse Panel (SPP) is a data collection that was originally designed to collect voluntary responses from a nationally representative sample of public schools to better understand how schools, students, and educators were responding to the ongoing stressors of the coronavirus pandemic. The School Pulse Panel is conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), part of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES), within the

United States Department of Education. Initially, the purpose of the study was to collect extensive data on issues brought to light by the COVID–19 pandemic, as well as other important education-related issues that could inform data-driven policy decisions, in U.S. public schools. Due to the immediate need to collect pandemic-era information from schools as described in Executive Order 14000, an emergency clearance was issued to develop and field the first several monthly collections of the SPP in 2021 and a full review of the SPP data collection was performed in 2022 (OMB# 1850–0969). SPPs innovative design and timely dissemination of findings have been used and cited frequently among Department of Education senior leadership, the White House Domestic Policy Council, the USDAs Food and Nutrition Service, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Congressional deliberations, and the media. The growing interest from stakeholders resulted in a request for funding to create an established NCES quick-turnaround data collection vehicle to become a mainstay for NCES. Funding for a mainstay collection was approved in late 2022, and NCES conducted a new collection during the 2023–24 school year (OMB# 1850–0975).

The School Pulse Panel study is one of the few reliable, nationally representative, quick-turnaround studies that produces data on U.S. public schools. The sample design for the 2025–26 collection will roughly be the same as the 2024–25 collection with 4,000 public schools randomly selected to an initial sample and 4,000 in a reserve sample. It is expected these schools will come from roughly 3,000 districts. The goal is national representation from about 1,200 responding schools each month in order to report out national estimates. School staff will be asked to provide requested data monthly during the 2025–26 school year. This approach provides the ability to collect detailed information on various topics while also assessing changes over time for items that are repeated from year to year. Given the demand for data collection, the content of the survey is expected to change monthly. For the 2025–26 school year, the survey may ask school staff about a wide range of topics, including but not limited to staffing; learning recovery; absenteeism; usage of federal funds; and overall principal experiences.

This package includes preliminary activities, including contacting and obtaining research approvals from public school districts with an

established research approval process (special contact districts) where applicable; notifying sampled schools and districts of their selection for the survey; and inviting them to complete a short Screener Survey to establish points of contact. In spring of 2025, a clearance for main study data collection activities that will include instruments for the first quarter of collections will be submitted for 60-day and 30-day public comment. Subsequent quarterly content submissions will be submitted for 30-day public comment.

This request is to conduct the SPP 2025–26 preliminary activities. Substantial edits and additional materials may be added to this package after the 60-day public comment period is complete, in time for the subsequent 30-day public comment period that will begin Fall 2024. Materials for SPP are cleared under two OMB Number sequences. Materials for SPP 2022 and SPP 2024–25 were cleared under OMB# 1850–0969, while SPP 2023–24 and now SPP 2025–26 are cleared under OMB# 1850–0975.

Dated: August 13, 2024.

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 ENERGY

Request for Information Regarding Interregional and Offshore Wind Transmission

AGENCY: Grid Deployment Office, U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Request for information (RFI).

SUMMARY: The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) provides funding to the Secretary of Energy (Secretary) to support convening relevant stakeholders to address the development of interregional electricity transmission and transmission of electricity that is generated by offshore wind, and to conduct planning, modeling, and analysis regarding interregional electricity transmission and transmission of electricity generated by offshore wind. Transmission development is an important priority to address reliability issues within the national electrical grid and to improve the flow of new energy generation, including offshore wind, both between regions and within regions to meet national clean energy goals. The U.S.