

Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden: Responses: 1,148,818.
Burden Hours: 183,811.

Abstract: These forms will serve as the means of collecting the information necessary to determine whether a FFEL borrower qualifies for a specific type of loan deferment.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.
SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 6, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Werfeld@al.eop.gov. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address PatSherrill@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or

Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Financial and Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: December 1, 1998.

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Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Student Assistance General Provisions—Subpart I—Immigration Status Confirmation.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits; Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden: Responses: 7,310.

Burden Hours: 23,026.

Abstract: Collection of this information used for immigration status confirmation reduces the potential of fraud and abuse caused by ineligible aliens receiving Federally subsidized student financial assistance under Title IV of the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended. The respondent population is comprised of 7,310 postsecondary institutions who participate in administration of the Title IV, HEA programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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21st Century Community Learning Centers; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year 1999

Purpose of program: The 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program was established by Congress to award grants to rural and inner-city public schools, or consortia of such schools, to

enable them to plan, implement, or expand projects that benefit the educational, health, social services, cultural and recreational needs of the community. School-based community learning centers can provide a safe, drug-free, supervised and cost-effective after-school, weekend or summer haven for children, youth and their families.

Eligible Applicants: Only rural or inner-city public elementary or secondary schools, consortia of those schools, or LEAs applying on their behalf, are eligible to receive a grant under the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program. An LEA considering serving more than one school is encouraged to submit a consortium application on their behalf. Applicants must demonstrate that they meet the statutory program purpose as being either a "rural" or "inner-city" school or a consortium of such schools.

Applications available: December 3, 1998.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: March 1, 1999.

Deadline for intergovernmental review: May 1, 1999.

Available funds: \$100 million.

Estimated range of awards: \$35,000—\$2,000,000, depending on the number of Centers included in each grant application.

Estimated average size of awards: \$375,000, for a grant that will support 3 Centers. The average funding for a single Center is \$125,000.

Estimated number of awards: 275—300, but the actual number will depend on how many awards will assist multiple Centers.

Project period: Up to 36 months. Please note that all applicants for multi-year awards are required to provide detailed budget information for the total grant period requested. The Department will negotiate at the time of the initial award the funding levels for each year of the grant award.

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

Applicable regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, and 86, and (b) the regulations in 34 CFR part 299.

Priorities

The Absolute Priority and Competitive Priority 1 in the notice of final priorities for this program published in the **Federal Register** on December 2, 1997 (62 FR 63773) and repeated below, apply to this competition. In addition, the Secretary gives preference to applications that