

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the 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 October 2, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Wai-Sinn Chan, Acting Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Wai-Sinn_L._Chan@omb.eop.gov.

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, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the 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.

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Type of Review: New.

Title: Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Annual Performance Reports.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 77.

Burden Hours: 10,388.

Abstract: There are three types of grants under the Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program: State Grants, Partnership Grants, and Recruitment Grants. The grantees of each program must annually submit the performance reports to the Department of Education so that the Department can evaluate the performance of grantees prior to awarding continuation grants, as well as use the data for their annual reports to Congress, as required by the Government's Performance and Results Act of 1993. The grantees are also legislatively mandated to submit annual reports to Congress on their progress toward the programs' goals.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Jacqueline Montague at (202) 708-5359 or via her internet address Jackie_Montague@ed.gov. 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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Student Financial Assistance, Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study, and Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant Programs

Notice of the closing date for the submission of the Federal Operations Report for the 1999-2000 award year and Application to Participate for the 2001-2002 award year (FISAP) in the Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), and Federal Work-Study (FWS) Programs.

SUMMARY: The Secretary gives notice to institutions of higher education of the deadline for an institution to apply for fiscal year 2001 funds—for use in the 2001-2002 award year (July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002)—under the Federal Perkins Loan, FWS, and FSEOG programs. Under these programs, the Secretary allocates funds to institutions for students who need financial aid to meet the costs of postsecondary education. An institution is not required to establish eligibility prior to applying for funds. However, the Secretary will not allocate funds under the Federal Perkins Loan, FWS, and FSEOG programs for the 2001-2002 award year to any currently ineligible institution unless the institution files its institutional participation application and other documents required for an eligibility and certification determination by the closing date that will appear in a separate notice in the **Federal Register**. The Secretary further gives notice that an institution that had a Federal Perkins Loan Fund or expended FWS or FSEOG funds during the 1999-2000 award year (July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000) is required to submit a Fiscal Operations Report to the Secretary to report its program expenditures as of June 30, 2000. Institutions perform both functions in one document called the FISAP.

Applicants that did not participate in the Federal Perkins Loan Program, FWS Program, or FSEOG Program in the 1999-2000 award year will be required only to submit data for the application portion of the FISAP.

FISAPs must be submitted electronically. Therefore, an institution must also complete, sign, and submit one original FISAP signature page and one original combined lobbying, debarment, and drug-free workplace certifications form (ED 80-0013, referred to as the "compliance certifications" form) for the 2001-2002 award year.

The Federal Perkins Loan, FWS, and FSEOG programs are authorized by parts E and C, and part A, Subpart 3, respectively, of title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

DATES: *Closing Date for Submitting a FISAP and Required Signed Documents.* To ensure consideration for 2001-2002 funds, an institution must submit an electronic FISAP, the FISAP signature page, and the "compliance certifications" form by October 1, 2000.

An institution must submit its FISAP electronically via the Department's Student Aid Internet Gateway (formerly Title IV Wide Area Network or TIV WAN). Specific information and