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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request
AGENCY: Department of Education.
SUMMARY: The Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management 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 May 10, 2010.
ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20507, be faxed to (202) 395–5806 or e-mailed to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov with a cc to ICDOcketMgr@ed.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 Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, 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.
James Hyler,
Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.
Institute of Education Sciences
Type of Review: Revision.
Title: NAEP 2011 Wave I (Reading, Math, Science, Economics).
Frequency: Once.
Affected Public: Individuals or household.
Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 976,165.
Burden Hours: 280,532.
Abstract: The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is a federally authorized survey of student achievement at grades 4, 8, and 12 in various subject areas, such as mathematics, reading, writing, science, U.S. history, civics, geography, economics, and the arts. In the current legislation that reauthorized NAEP (The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (Pub. L. 107–110)), Congress mandated again the collection of national education survey data through a national assessment program. The 2011 Wave 1 submittal contains the following 2011 assessments: the grades 4, 8, and 12 core (demographic) and subject-specific (reading (4, 8), mathematics (4, 8), science (8), and economics (12)) student background questionnaires; grades 4 and 8 teacher questionnaires (core, reading, mathematics, and science components); and grades 4 and 8 school questionnaires (core, reading, mathematics, science, and charter school components).
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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
[CFDA Number 84.295A]
Ready-to-Learn Television Program
AGENCY: Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education.
ACTION: Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2010; correction.
SUMMARY: On March 22, 2010, we published in the Federal Register (75 FR 13515) a notice inviting applications for new awards for FY 2010 for the Ready-to-Learn Television Program. There is an error in one of the dates in that notice.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice corrects the meeting date for prospective applicants as follows:
Correction
On page 13518, in the first column, under Notice of Intent to Apply, second paragraph, line six, replace the date “April 8, 2010” with the date “April 15, 2010.”
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Ready-to-Learn Television Program, U.S. Department of Education, 400
Maryland Avenue, SW., room 4W414, Washington, DC 20202 or by e-mail: readytolearn@ed.gov

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James H. Shelton, III,
Assistant Deputy Secretary for Innovation and Improvement.
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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Overview Information; Race to the Top Fund Assessment Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2010

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Numbers: 84.395B (Comprehensive Assessment Systems grants) and 84.395C (High School Course Assessment Programs grants).

Due Dates:
Deadline for Notice of Intent To Apply: April 29, 2010.
Date of Technical Assistance Meeting for Prospective Applicants: April 22, 2010.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose and Overview of Program:
Authorized under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the Race to the Top Fund Assessment Program provides funding to consortia of States to develop assessments that are valid, support and inform instruction, provide accurate information about what students know and can do, and measure student achievement against standards designed to ensure that all students gain the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in college and the workplace. These assessments are intended to play a critical role in educational systems; provide administrators, educators, parents, and students with the data and information needed to continuously improve teaching and learning; and help meet the President’s goal of restoring, by 2020, the nation’s position as the world leader in college graduates.

Through the Race to the Top Fund Assessment Program, the Department expects to award two categories of grants: (A) Comprehensive Assessment Systems grants, and (B) High School Course Assessment Programs grants. In this notice, we are establishing priorities, requirements, definitions, and selection criteria for each grant category. An eligible applicant (i.e., a consortium of States) may apply for grants in both categories, provided it meets the eligibility requirements for each category. The Department will score and rank applications separately in each grant category. Following is an overview of the two grant categories:

(A) Comprehensive Assessment Systems grants. Over the past decade, State assessment results have brought much-needed visibility to disparities in achievement among different groups of students and helped meet increasing demands for data that can be used to improve teaching and learning. To fully meet the dual needs for accountability and instructional improvement, however, States need assessment systems that are based on standards designed to prepare students for college and the workplace, and that more validly measure student knowledge and skills against the full range of those standards and across the full performance continuum. Further, States need assessment systems that better reflect good instructional practices and support a culture of continuous improvement in education by providing information that can be used in a timely and meaningful manner to determine school and educator effectiveness, identify teacher and principal professional development and support needs, improve programs, and guide instruction.

This grant category supports the development of such assessment systems by consortia of States. Comprehensive Assessment Systems grants provide funding for the development of new assessment systems that measure student knowledge and skills against a common set of college- and career-ready standards (as defined in this notice) in mathematics and

English language arts in a way that covers the full range of those standards, elicits complex student demonstrations or applications of knowledge and skills as appropriate, and provides an accurate measure of student achievement across the full performance continuum and an accurate measure of student growth over a full academic year or course.

Assessment systems developed with Comprehensive Assessment Systems grants must include one or more summative assessment components in mathematics and in English language arts that are administered at least once during the academic year in grades 3 through 8 and at least once in high school and that produce student achievement data and student growth data (both as defined in this notice) that can be used to determine whether individual students are college- and career-ready (as defined in this notice) or on track to being college- and career-ready (as defined in this notice). In addition, assessment systems developed with Comprehensive Assessment Systems grants must assess all students, including English learners (as defined in this notice) and students with disabilities (as defined in this notice). Finally, assessment systems developed with Comprehensive Assessment Systems grants must produce data (including student achievement data and student growth data) that can be used to inform (a) determinations of school effectiveness; (b) determinations of individual principal and teacher effectiveness for purposes of evaluation; (c) determinations of principal and teacher professional development and support needs; and (d) teaching, learning, and program improvement.

To be eligible for a Comprehensive Assessment Systems grant, an eligible applicant must include at least 15 States, of which at least 5 States must be governing States (as defined in this notice). An eligible applicant receiving a Comprehensive Assessment Systems grant must ensure that the summative assessment components of the assessment system (in both mathematics and English language arts) will be fully implemented statewide in each State in the consortium no later than the 2014–2015 school year. It is the expectation of the Department that States that adopt assessment systems developed with