BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The Bureau is soliciting comments concerning its proposed information collection titled, "Clearance for Financial Education Program Evaluation." The proposed collection has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. A copy of the submission, including copies of the proposed collection and supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the agency contact listed below.

DATES: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before January 7, 2013 to be assured of consideration.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless the information collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The Bureau issued a 60-day Federal Register notice on January 19, 2012, [77 FR 2684]. Comments were solicited and continue to be invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Bureau’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and the assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.


Chris Willey,
Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Meeting of the Ocean Research Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ocean Research Advisory Panel will hold a regularly scheduled meeting. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, January 14, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. and Wednesday, January 16, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:10 PM.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by agency name and proposed collection title, “Clearance for Financial Education Program Evaluation” to:

• Agency contact: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20552; (202) 435–9011; and CFPB_Public_PRA@cfpb.gov.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 435–9011, or through the internet at CFPB_Public_PRA@cfpb.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Clearance for Financial Education Program Evaluation.

OMB Control Number: 3170–XXXX.

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: Under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, Public Law No. 111–203, the Bureau’s Office of Financial Education (OFE) is responsible for (1) developing and implementing a strategy to improve the financial literacy of consumers that includes measurable goals and objectives, in consultation with the Financial Literacy and Education Commission, consistent with the National Strategy for Financial Literacy; and (2) developing and implementing initiatives intended to educate and empower consumers to make better informed financial decisions. Together with the CFPB’s Office of Research, OFE is also responsible for conducting “research related to consumer financial education and counseling.” The proposed collection will focus on financial education program elements related to increasing household non-retirement savings and/or reducing financial distress.

The CFPB expects to collect quantitative data through in-person and telephone surveys. The information collected through quantitative evaluation methods will increase OFE’s understanding of what financial education program elements can improve financial decision making skills and outcomes for consumers.

The core objective of the data collection is to measure the effectiveness of selected financial education programs. This data will provide useful information on evidence-based practices that can be used to improve financial education programs nationwide, leading to better financial decision-making outcomes for adult consumers.

Affected Public: Individuals.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: Below is an estimate of the aggregate burden hours for the evaluation of two (2) financial education programs.

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p.m. The agenda can be found at http://www.nopp.org/committees/orap/orap_meetings/. At the conclusion of the meeting there will be a 15 minute open forum for public commentary.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Consortium for Ocean Leadership, 1201 New York Avenue NW., 4th Floor, Washington DC 20005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Joan S. Cleveland, Office of Naval Research, 875 North Randolph Street Suite 1425, Arlington, VA 22203–1995, telephone 703–696–4532.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice of open meeting is provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The meeting will include discussions on ocean research, resource management, and other current issues in the ocean science and management communities.


L.R. Almand,
Judge Advocate General’s Corps, U.S. Navy, Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Applications for New Awards; Native American and Alaska Native Children in School Program

AGENCY: Office of English Language Acquisition, Department of Education.

Overview Information
Native American and Alaska Native Children in School Program Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2013.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.365C.

Pre-application Technical Assistance for Potential Applicants: A webinar for potential applicants will be conducted 14 days after the publication of this notice in the Federal Register. For further information on this webinar, contact Yvonne Putney-Mathieu at (202) 401–1461, or by email at yvonne.mathieu@ed.gov. Please include “84.365C Webinar Information” in the subject heading of your email.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: February 1, 2013.
Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: May 1, 2013.

I. Funding Opportunity Description
Full Text of Announcement

Purpose of Program: The purpose of this program is to provide grants for eligible entities to develop high levels of academic attainment in English among English learners (ELs),1 to promote parental and community participation in language instruction educational programs. Projects funded under the Native American and Alaska Native Children in School Program, authorized under Title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA), may support the teaching and studying of Native American languages, but must have, as a project objective, an increase in English language proficiency for participating students.

Priorities: This notice includes two competitive preference priorities and three invitational priorities. Competitive preference priorities 1 and 2 are from the notice of final supplemental priorities and definitions for discretionary grant programs, published in the Federal Register on December 15, 2010 (75 FR 78485) and corrected on May 12, 2011 (76 FR 27637).

Competitive Preference Priorities: For FY 2013, and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition, these priorities are competitive preference priorities. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(i) we award up to 10 additional points to an application, depending upon how well it meets competitive preference priority 1, and up to 5 additional points to an application, depending upon how well it meets competitive preference priority 2 (i.e., an application could attain up to 15 additional points depending upon how well it meets both competitive preference priority 1 and competitive preference priority 2).

Note: We will add competitive preference priority points for priorities 1 and 2 only to applications that score 75 or higher on the selection criteria. We will fund only applications that score 75 or higher on the selection criteria.

These priorities are:
Competitive Preference Priority 1—Increasing Postsecondary Success (10 points)

Projects that are designed to address the following priority area: Increasing the number and proportion of high-need students (as defined in this notice) who are academically prepared for and enroll in college or other postsecondary education and training.

Note: High-need children and high-need students means children and students at risk of educational failure, such as children and students who are living in poverty, who are English learners, who are far below grade level or who are not on track to becoming college- or career-ready by graduation, who have left school or school before receiving, respectively, a regular high school diploma or a college degree or certificate, who are at risk of not graduating with a diploma on time, who are homeless, who are in foster care, who are pregnant or parenting teenagers, who have been incarcerated, who are new immigrants, who are migrant, or who have disabilities.

Competitive Preference Priority 2—Enabling More Data-Based Decision-Making (5 Points)

Projects that are designed to collect (or obtain), analyze, and use high-quality and timely data, including data on program participant outcomes, in accordance with privacy requirements (as defined in this notice), in one or more of the following priority areas:
(a) Improving postsecondary student outcomes relating to enrollment, persistence, and completion and leading to career success.
(b) Improving instructional practices, policies, and student outcomes in elementary or secondary schools.

Note: Privacy requirements means the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. 1232g, and its implementing regulations in 34 CFR part 99, the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a, as well as all applicable Federal, State and local requirements regarding privacy.

Invitational Priorities: For FY 2013, and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applications from this competition, these priorities are invitational priorities. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) we do not give an application that meets these invitational priorities a competitive or absolute preference over other applications.

These priorities are:
Invitational Priority 1—Supporting Native American Language Instruction

Projects that are designed to support the teaching and studying of Native American languages, while maintaining the objective of increasing English language proficiency for participating students.

Note: The term Native American languages means the historical, traditional languages spoken by Native Americans, consistent with section 105 of the Native American Languages Act (25 U.S.C. 2902).