

Trend (LTT) Update Emergency Clearance.

OMB Control Number: 1850–0928.

Type of Review: A revision of an existing information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 642,087.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 322,765.

Abstract: The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), 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, technology and engineering literacy (TEL), and the arts. The National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act (Pub. L. 107–279 Title III, section 303) requires the assessment to collect data on specified student groups and characteristics, including information organized by race/ethnicity, gender, socio-economic status, disability, and limited English proficiency. It requires fair and accurate presentation of achievement data and permits the collection of background, noncognitive, or descriptive information that is related to academic achievement and aids in fair reporting of results. The intent of the law is to provide representative sample data on student achievement for the nation, the states, and subpopulations of students and to monitor progress over time. The nature of NAEP is that burden alternates from a relatively low burden in national-level administration years to a substantial burden increase in state-level administration years when the sample has to allow for estimates for individual states and some of the large urban districts. The request to conduct NAEP 2019 and 2020 was approved in September 2018 with the latest change request approved in February 2019 (OMB# 1850–0928 v.10–13). NAEP 2019 is currently underway. This request is to update the approved NAEP 2020 plan with: (1) The cancellation of all of the NAEP pilot and special studies originally planned for the 2019–20 school year (NAEP 2020), and (2) based on a Congressional request, the administration of Long Term Trend (LTT) assessment during the 2019–20 school year. The LTT assessments are based on nationally representative samples of 9-, 13-, and 17-year olds, and have been used by NAEP since the early 1970s to provide measures of students' educational progress over long time

periods to allow for analyses of national trends in students' performance in mathematics and reading.

Additional Information: In order to be able to comply with the Congressional request to conduct LTT during the 2019–20 school year and to meet the study's timeline while maintaining compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), due to this unanticipated event, the U.S. Department of Education (ED) and NCES are requesting under 44 U.S.C. 3507(j)(1) ("emergency clearance") to begin participant recruitment and study materials printing for LTT 2020 by May 2019. Therefore, NCES is submitting this Information Collection Request (ICR) to OMB utilizing emergency review procedures in accordance with the PRA (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) and 5 CFR 1320.13 to announce revisions to the NAEP 2020 study plans and to provide for review the LTT 2020 plans, procedures, and materials. NCES is simultaneously initiating a regular clearance process for this request, including a 60-day followed by a 30-day public comment periods.

NCES requests that any comments on the plans, procedures, and materials proposed in this ICR will be submitted via *Regulations.gov* by April 16, 2019, as part of the public comment period affiliated with this emergency clearance. This will allow NCES to timely consider and address all comments related to this submission, so that upon approval of the ICR by OMB in April 2019, NCES can begin all participant recruitment activities and printing of study materials necessary to conduct LTT 2020.

Dated: March 18, 2019.

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Meeting Notice

AGENCY: U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Conference Call Meeting for EAC Technical Guidelines Development Committee.

DATES: Tuesday, April 2, 2019, 3:00–5:00 p.m. (EDT).

ADDRESSES: EAC Technical Guidelines Development Committee Conference Call.

To listen and monitor the event as an attendee:

1. Go to: <https://eac-meetings.webex.com/eac-meetings>.

2. Click "Join Now".

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1. To receive a call back, provide your phone number when you join the event, or

2. call the number below and enter the access code. US TOLL FREE: +1–855–892–3345, US TOLL: +1–415–527–5035, Access code: 908 977 287 (See toll-free dialing restrictions at https://www.webex.com/pdf/tollfree_restrictions.pdf).

For assistance: Contact the host, Ryan Macias at rmacias@eac.gov.

Purpose: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) Technical Guidelines Development Committee will conduct a conference call to discuss current EAC activities.

Agenda: The Technical Guidelines Development Committee (TGDC) will receive updates from EAC staff and NIST staff regarding EAC activities related to the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines (VVSG); Technical Requirements development and the EAC's advisory Board Annual Meetings. The TGDC will discuss the next TGDC meetings and steps to develop the Requirements and Test Assertions respectively. There may be votes conducted on this call.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ryan Macias, Telephone: (301) 563–3931.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public may submit relevant written statements to the TGDC with respect to the meeting no later than 10:00 a.m. EDT on Tuesday, April 2, 2019. Statements may be sent via email to facboards@eac.gov, via standard mail addressed to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1335 East West Highway, Suite 4300, Silver Spring, MD 20910, or by fax at 301–734–3108.

This conference call will be open to the public.

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