Highway, Floor 12, San Diego, CA 92132–0058.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Southwest, Attention: Ron Bochenek, Navy OTC Revitalization EIS Project Manager, 750 Pacific Highway, Floor 12, San Diego, CA 92132–0058, 888–682–6289, info@NAVWAR-revitalization.com. You can also visit the project website at www.NAVWAR-revitalization.com for more information. Individuals interested in receiving electronic project updates can subscribe on the project website to receive notifications via email for key milestones throughout the environmental planning process.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DON distributed the Draft EIS to Federal, state, and local agencies and officials, American Indian tribal governments, and other stakeholders. The Draft EIS and informational materials are available on the project website at www.NAVWAR-revitalization.com. The public may also review the Draft EIS and select materials at the following libraries:

1. Mission Hills-Hillcrest/Knox Library
   (215 West Washington Street, San Diego, CA 92103)
2. Point Loma/Hervey Library
   (3701 Voltaire Street, San Diego, CA 92107)
3. San Diego Central Library
   (330 Park Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92101)

Comments on the Draft EIS can be submitted in the following ways: (1) Written comments submitted through the project website; (2) written comments mailed to the address in this notice; and (3) verbal comments provided at virtual public meetings.

All comments submitted during the 60-day public comment period will become part of the public record, and substantive comments will be considered in the development of the Final EIS. All comments must be postmarked or received online by 11:59 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on July 13, 2021.

Federal, state, and local agencies and officials, American Indian tribal governments, and other interested organizations and individuals are encouraged to provide comments on the Draft EIS during the 60-day public comment period.

DATED: May 7, 2021.

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Commander, Judge Advocate General’s Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Applications for New Awards:Predominantly Black Institutions Competitive Grant Program

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education (Department) is issuing a notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2021 for the Predominantly Black Institution Competitive (PBI–C) Grant Program, Assistance Listing Number 84.382A. This notice relates to the approved information collection under OMB control number 1840–0797.

DATES:


ADDRESSES: For the addresses for obtaining and submitting an application, please refer to our Common Instructions for Applicants to Department of Education Discretionary Grant Programs, published in the Federal Register on February 13, 2019 (84 FR 3768), and available at www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-02-13/pdf/2019-02206.pdf.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:


Or


If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) or a text telephone (TTY), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1–800–877–5833. Email: ASCLD@frs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The purpose of the PBI Program is to strengthen Predominantly Black Institutions (PBIs) to carry out programs in the following areas: science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM); health education; internationalization or globalization; teacher preparation; or improving educational outcomes of African American males.

Background: Recent data suggests that the COVID–19 pandemic has created mental health and academic challenges for Black or African American students. The psychological impact of an abrupt transition to continuing courses online caused some students to experience levels of stress, thus impacting their ability to perform as well academically. For example, according to a survey of more than 5,000 students conducted by the United Negro College Fund, half of the respondents wanted to return to normal with full on-campus classroom instruction; one third of respondents wanted some in-class instruction with some online courses and 17 percent of respondents thought it was best to have only online courses. Some 37 percent of all students who responded to the survey, and particularly women, said that their mental well-being had declined during the pandemic.1 According to the “Stay Informed” report published in March 2021 by the National Student Clearinghouse Research Center, Black undergraduate enrollment declined 6 percent from Spring 2020 to Spring 2021 after declining 2 percent in the previous year. Black male enrollment dropped even further, by 9.7 percent from Spring 2020 to Spring 2021 after falling by 3.5 percent the prior year.2

Priorities: This notice contains one absolute priority, one competitive preference priority, and one invitation priority. In accordance with 34 CFR 75.105(b)(2)(iv), the absolute priority is from section 371(b)(2)(C)(i)(V) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), 20 U.S.C. 1067q(b)(2)(C)(i)(V). The competitive preference priority is from the Notice of Final Administrative Priority and Definitions for Discretionary Grant Programs, published in the Federal Register on December 30, 2020 (85 FR 86345) (Remote Learning NFP).

Absolute Priority: For FY 2021, and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applications from this competition, this priority is an absolute priority. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3), we consider only applications that meet this priority.

This priority is:

Improving Educational Outcomes of African American Males

Projects that propose to improve the educational outcomes of African American males.

Competitive Preference Priority: For FY 2021 and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of

2 https://nscresearchcenter.org/stay-informed/.
Influences.

tradition, personal judgement, or other

should be based on the best available

based principle that education practices

hit the hardest by COVID–19 through

support students living in communities

describe how it will target resources to

services and supports to students.

specifically, an applicant should

in its application how it will coordinate

Black or African American students to

integrated student support services (also

language assistance services to English

provide appropriate remote learning

remote learning environment must also

professional learning, professional

learning networks or communities, and

coaching).

learning experiences that advance

capacity of educators to create remote

professional learning to build the

capacity of educators to create remote

through effective use of technology (e.g.,
synchronous and asynchronous

professional learning, professional

learning networks or communities, and

coaching).

The remote learning environment

must be accessible to individuals with

disabilities in accordance with section

504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

and Title II of the Americans with

Disabilities Act, as applicable. The

remote learning environment must also

provide appropriate remote learning

language assistance services to English

learners.

Invitational Priority: For FY 2021, and

any subsequent year in which we make

awards from the list of unfunded

applications from this competition, this

priority is an invitational priority.

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1), we do not

give an application that meets this

invitational priority a competitive or

absolute preference over other

applications.

This priority is:

Addressing the Impact of COVID–19 on

Black or African American Students

and Supporting Student Retention and

Reengagement

Projects proposing to provide

integrated student support services (also

known as wrap-around services) for

Black or African American students to

address mental health and academic

support due to the COVID–19

pandemic. An applicant should describe

in its application how it will coordinate

and leverage resources to provide

services and supports to students.

Specifically, an applicant should

describe how it will target resources to

support students living in communities

hit the hardest by COVID–19 through
degree completion, using the evidence-

based principle that education practices

should be based on the best available

scientific evidence, rather than

tradition, personal judgement, or other

influences.

Definitions: The definitions below are

from 34 CFR part 77.1 and the Remote

Learning NFP.

demonstrates a rationale means a key

project component included in the

project’s logic model is informed by

research or evaluation findings that

suggest the project component is likely
to improve relevant outcomes.

logic model (also referred to as a

theory of action) means a framework

that identifies key project components

of the proposed project (i.e., the active

“ingredients” that are hypothesized to

be critical to achieving the relevant

outcomes) and describes the

theoretical and operational

relationships among the

key project components and relevant

outcomes.

Note: In developing logic models,
appliances may want to use resources such as
the Regional Educational Laboratory
Program’s (REL Pacific) Education Logic
Model Application, available at https://
ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/regions/pacific/
elm.asp, to help design their logic models.

Other sources include: https://ies.ed.gov/
ncee/edlabs/regions/pacific/pdf/REL/
regions/pacific/pdf/REL_2014067.pdf, and
https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/regions/
northeast/pdf/REL_2015057.pdf.

Moderate evidence means that there is

evidence of effectiveness of a key

project component in improving a

relevant outcome for a sample that

overlaps with the populations or

settings proposed to receive that

component, based on a relevant finding

from one of the following:

(i) A practice guide prepared by the

What Works Clearinghouse (WWC)

using version 2.1, 3.0, 4.0, or 4.1 of

the WWC Handbooks reporting a “strong

evidence base” or “moderate evidence

base” for the corresponding practice

guide recommendation;

(ii) An intervention report prepared by

the WWC reporting a “positive effect” or

“potentially positive effect” on a

relevant outcome with no reporting of a

“negative effect” or “potentially

negative effect” on a relevant outcome;

or

(iii) A single study assessed by the

Department, as appropriate, that—

(A) Is an experimental study, a

quasi-experimental design study, or a

well-designed and well-implemented

correlational study with statistical

controls for selection bias (e.g., a study

using regression methods to account for
differences between a treatment group

and a comparison group); and

(B) Includes at least one statistically

significant and positive (i.e., favorable)

effect on a relevant outcome;

(C) Includes no overriding statistically

significant and negative effects on

relevant outcomes reported in the study

or in a corresponding WWC

intervention report prepared under

version 2.1, 3.0, 4.0, or 4.1 of the WWC

Handbooks; and

(D) Is based on a sample from more

than one site (e.g., State, county, city,

school district, or postsecondary

campus) and includes at least 350

students or other individuals across

sites. Multiple studies of the same

project component that meet each

requirement in paragraphs (iii)(A), (B),

and (C) of this definition may together

satisfy the requirement in this paragraph

(iii)(D).

Project component means an activity,

strategy, intervention, process, product,

practice, or policy included in a project.

Evidence may pertain to an individual

project component or to a combination

of project components (e.g., training

teachers on instructional practices for

English learners and follow-on coaching

for these teachers).

Promising evidence means that there is

evidence of the effectiveness of a key

project component in improving a

relevant outcome, based on a relevant

finding from one of the following:

(i) A practice guide prepared by WWC

reporting a “strong evidence base” or

“promising evidence base” for the

corresponding practice guide

recommendation;

(ii) An intervention report prepared by the

WWC reporting a “positive effect” or

“potentially positive effect” on a

relevant outcome with no reporting of a

“negative effect” or “potentially

negative effect” on a relevant outcome;

or

(iii) A single study assessed by the

Department, as appropriate, that—

(A) Is an experimental study, a

quasi-experimental design study, or a

well-designed and well-implemented

correlational study with statistical

controls for selection bias (e.g., a study

using regression methods to account for
differences between a treatment group

and a comparison group); and

(B) Includes at least one statistically

significant and positive (i.e., favorable)

effect on a relevant outcome;
part 180, as adopted and amended as regulations of the Department in 2 CFR part 3485. (c) The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards in 2 CFR part 200, as adopted and amended as regulations of the Department in 2 CFR part 3474. (d) The Remote Learning NFP.

II. Award Information

Type of Award: Discretionary grants. 

Estimated Available Funds:
$14,115,000.

Estimated Range of Awards:
$400,000–$600,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards:
$564,600.

Maximum Awards: We will not make an award exceeding $600,000 for a single budget period of 12 months. 

Estimated Number of Awards: 25.

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

Project Period: Up to 60 months.

III. Eligibility Information

1. Eligible Applicants: To qualify as an eligible institution under the PBI–C Program, an institution of higher education (IHE) must—

(a) Have an enrollment of needy undergraduate students, as defined by section 371(c)(3) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1067q(c)(3)).

The term enrollment of needy undergraduate students means the enrollment at the eligible IHE with respect to which not less than 50 percent of the undergraduate students enrolled in an academic program leading to a degree—

(i) In the second fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the determination is made, were Federal Pell Grant recipients for such year;

(ii) Come from families that receive benefits under a means-tested Federal benefit program (as defined in section 371(c)(5) of the HEA, 20 U.S.C. 1067q(c)(5));

(iii) Attended a public or nonprofit private secondary school that—

(A) Is in the school district of a LEA that was eligible for assistance under part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA) (20 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.), for any year during which the student attended such secondary school; and

(B) For the purpose of this paragraph and for that year, was determined by the Secretary (pursuant to regulations and after consultation with the State educational agency of the State in which the school is located) to be a school in which the enrollment of children counted under a measure of poverty described in section 1113(a)(5) of the ESEA (20 U.S.C. 6313(a)(5)) exceeds 30 percent of the total enrollment of such school; or

(iv) Are first-generation college students, as that term is defined in section 402A(h) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1070a–11(h)), and a majority of such first-generation college students are low-income individuals, as that term is defined in section 402A(h) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1070a–11(h));

(b) Have an average educational and general expenditure that is low, per full-time equivalent (FTE) undergraduate student, in comparison with the average educational and general expenditure per FTE undergraduate student of IHEs that offer similar instruction. The Secretary may waive this requirement, in accordance with section 392(b) of the HEA (20 U.S.C.1068a(b)), in the same manner as the Secretary applies the waiver requirements to grant applicants under section 312(b)(1)(B) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1058(b)(1)(B));

(c) Have an enrollment of undergraduate students—

(i) That is at least 40 percent Black American students;

(ii) That is at least 1,000 undergraduate students; and

(iii) Of which not less than 50 percent of the undergraduate students enrolled at the institution are low-income individuals, as that term is defined in section 402A(h) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1070a–11(h)), or first-generation college students, as that term is defined in section 402A(h) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1070a–11(h)); and

(iv) Of which not less than 50 percent of the undergraduate students are enrolled in an educational program leading to a bachelor’s or associate’s degree that the institution is licensed to award by the State in which the institution is located;

(d) Be legally authorized to provide, and provide, within the State an educational program for which the IHE awards a bachelor’s degree or, in the case of a junior or community college, an associate’s degree;

(e) Be accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association determined by the Secretary to be a reliable authority as to the quality of training offered, or be, according to such an agency or association, making reasonable progress toward accreditation; and

(f) Not be receiving assistance under part B of title III or part A of title V of the HEA or any annual authorization of appropriations under the Act of March 2, 1867 (20 U.S.C. 123).

Note: The Department published a notice in the Federal Register on March 4, 2021 (86
FR 12665) that described the process for applying for designation as an eligible institution and set a deadline for applications of April 5, 2021. On April 13, 2021, the Department published a notice in the Federal Register (86 FR 19231) reopening the process and extending the deadline for applications to April 16, 2021. Only institutions that submitted applications by the extended deadline date and that the Department determined are eligible will receive funding consideration under the PBI Program.

Applicants must provide, as an attachment to the application, the documentation the institution relied upon to determine that at least 40 percent of the institution’s undergraduate enrollment are Black American students. The 40 percent requirement applies only to undergraduate Black American students and is calculated based upon unduplicated undergraduate enrollment. Instructions for formatting and submitting the verification documentation are in the application package for this competition.

2. a. Cost Sharing or Matching: This competition does not require cost sharing or matching.
   b. Administrative Cost Limitation: This program does not include any program-specific limitation on administrative expenses. All administrative expenses must be reasonable and necessary and conform to Cost Principles described in 2 CFR part 200 subpart E of the Uniform Guidance.

3. Subgrantees: A grantee under this competition may not award subgrants to entities to directly carry out project activities described in its application.

IV. Application Submission Information

1. Application Submission Instructions: Applicants are required to follow the Common Instructions for Applicants to Department of Education Discretionary Grant Programs, published in the Federal Register on February 13, 2019 (84 FR 3768) and available at www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-02-13/pdf/2019-02260.pdf, which contain requirements and information on how to submit an application.

2. Intergovernmental Review: This program is subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79. Information about Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs under Executive Order 12372 is in the application package for this program.

3. Funding Restrictions: We reference regulations outlining funding restrictions in the Applicable Regulations section of this notice.

4. Recommended Page Limit: The application narrative is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate your application. We recommend that you (1) limit the application narrative to no more than 40 pages and (2) use the following standards:
   - A “page” is 8.5” × 11”, on one side only, with 1” margins at the top, bottom, and both sides.
   - Double space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, references, and captions as well as all text in charts, tables, figures, and graphs.
   - Use a font that is either 12 point or larger, and no smaller than 10 pitch (characters per inch).
   - Use one of the following fonts: Times New Roman, Courier, Courier New, or Arial.

   The recommended page limit does not apply to the cover sheet; the budget section, including the narrative budget justification; the assurances and certifications; or the one-page abstract. However, the recommended page limit does apply to all of the application narrative.

V. Application Review Information

1. Selection Criteria: The selection criteria for this program are from 34 CFR 75.210. Applicants must address each of the following selection criteria. We will award up to 100 points to an application under the selection criteria and up to 4 additional points to an application under the preference priority, for a total score of up to 104 points. The total possible points for each selection criterion are noted in parentheses.

   (a) Significance (Maximum 10 points).
      (1) The Secretary considers the significance of the proposed project.
      (2) In determining the significance of the proposed project, the Secretary considers:
         (i) The extent to which the goals, objectives, and outcomes to be achieved by the proposed project are clearly specified and measurable. (up to 10 points)
         (ii) The extent to which the design of the proposed project is appropriate to, and will successfully address, the needs of the target population or other identified needs. (up to 10 points)
         (iii) The extent to which the proposed project demonstrates a rationale (as defined in this notice). (up to 5 points)
   (b) Quality of project personnel. (Maximum 20 points)
      (1) The Secretary considers the quality of the services to be provided by the proposed project.
      (2) In determining the quality of the services to be provided by the proposed project, the Secretary considers the quality and sufficiency of strategies for ensuring equal access and treatment for eligible project participants who are members of groups that have traditionally been underrepresented based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability. (up to 5 points)
      (3) In addition, the Secretary considers:
         (i) The extent to which the services to be provided by the proposed project are appropriate to the needs of the intended recipients or beneficiaries of those services. (up to 5 points)
         (ii) The extent to which the services to be provided by the proposed project reflect up-to-date knowledge from research and effective practice. (up to 5 points)
         (iii) The likely impact of the services to be provided by the proposed project on the intended recipients of those services. (up to 5 points)
   (c) Quality of project services. (Maximum 20 points)
      (1) The Secretary considers the quality of the services to be provided by the proposed project.
      (2) In determining the quality of the services to be provided by the proposed project, the Secretary considers the following factors:
         (i) The extent to which the goals, objectives, and outcomes to be achieved by the proposed project are clearly specified and measurable. (up to 10 points)
         (ii) The extent to which the design of the proposed project is appropriate to, and will successfully address, the needs of the target population or other identified needs. (up to 10 points)
         (iii) The extent to which the proposed project demonstrates a rationale (as defined in this notice). (up to 5 points)
         (iv) The extent to which the services to be provided by the proposed project are clearly specified and measurable. (up to 10 points)
         (v) The extent to which the design of the proposed project is appropriate to, and will successfully address, the needs of the target population or other identified needs. (up to 10 points)
         (vi) The extent to which the proposed project demonstrates a rationale (as defined in this notice). (up to 5 points)
      (3) In addition, the Secretary considers:
         (i) The extent to which the services to be provided by the proposed project are appropriate to the needs of the intended recipients or beneficiaries of those services. (up to 5 points)
         (ii) The extent to which the services to be provided by the proposed project reflect up-to-date knowledge from research and effective practice. (up to 5 points)
         (iii) The likely impact of the services to be provided by the proposed project on the intended recipients of those services. (up to 5 points)
      (d) Quality of project personnel. (Maximum 20 points)
      (1) The Secretary considers the quality of the personnel who will carry out the proposed project.
      (2) In determining the quality of project personnel, the Secretary considers the extent to which the applicant encourages applications for employment from persons who are members of groups that have traditionally been underrepresented based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability. (up to 5 points)
      (3) In addition, the Secretary considers:
         (i) The qualifications, including relevant training and experience, of the project director or principal investigator. (up to 3 points)
         (ii) The qualifications, including relevant training and experience, of key project personnel. (up to 2 points)
75.217(d)(3), the past performance of the
discretionary grant competition, the
reviewing applications in any
remind potential applicants that in
intended outcomes. (up to 5 points)
feedback and permit periodic
evaluation will provide performance
extent possible. (up to 5 points)
quantitative and qualitative data to the
of the project and will produce
clearly related to the intended outcomes
of evaluation include the use of
evaluation, the Secretary considers:
(i) The extent to which the budget is ade-
quate to support the proposed
project. (up to 3 points)
(ii) The extent to which the costs are
reasonable in relation to the objectives,
design, and potential significance of the
proposed project. (up to 2 points)
(f) Quality of the management plan.
(Maximum 15 points)
(1) The Secretary considers the
quality of the management plan for the
proposed project.
(2) In determining the quality of the
management plan for the proposed
project, the Secretary considers:
(i) The adequacy of the management
plan to achieve the objectives of the
proposed project on time and within
budget, including clearly defined
responsibilities, timelines, and
milestones for accomplishing project
tasks. (up to 5 points)
(ii) The adequacy of procedures for
ensuring feedback and continuous
improvement in the operation of the
proposed project. (up to 5 points)
(iii) The adequacy of mechanisms for
ensuring high-quality products and
services from the proposed project. (up
to 5 points)
(g) Quality of the project evaluation.
(Maximum 15 points)
(1) The Secretary considers the
quality of the evaluation to be
conducted of the proposed project.
(2) In determining the quality of the
evaluation, the Secretary considers:
(i) The extent to which the methods
of evaluation are thorough, feasible, and
appropriate to the goals, objectives, and
outcomes of the proposed project.
(up to 5 points)
(ii) The extent to which the methods
of evaluation include the use of
objective performance measures that are
clearly related to the intended outcomes
of the project and will produce
quantitative and qualitative data to the
extent possible. (up to 5 points)
(iii) The extent to which the methods
of evaluation will provide performance
feedback and permit periodic
assessment of progress toward achieving
intended outcomes. (up to 5 points)
2. Review and Selection Process: We
remind potential applicants that in
reviewing applications in any
discretionary grant competition, the
Secretary may consider, under 34 CFR
75.217(d)(3), the past performance of the
applicant in carrying out a previous
award, such as the applicant’s use of
funds, achievement of project
objectives, and compliance with grant
conditions. The Secretary may also
consider whether the applicant failed to
submit a timely performance report or
submitted a report of unacceptable
quality.
In addition, in making a competitive
grant award, the Secretary also requires
various assurances including those
applicable to Federal civil rights laws
that prohibit discrimination in programs
or activities receiving Federal assistance
from the Department (34 CFR 100.4, 104.5, 106.4, 108.8, and 110.23).

For this competition, a panel of non-
Federal reviewers will review each
application in accordance with the
selection criteria. The individual scores
of the reviewers will be added and the
sum divided by the number of reviewers
to determine the peer review score
received in the review process.
3. Risk Assessment and Specific
Conditions: With 2 CFR
200.206, before awarding grants under
this competition the Department
cconducts a review of the risks posed by
applicants. Under 2 CFR 200.208, the
Secretary may impose special
cconditions and, under 2 CFR 3474.10, in
appropriate circumstances, high-risk
conditions on a grant if the applicant or
grantee is not financially stable; has a
history of unsatisfactory performance;
has a financial or other management
system that does not meet the standards
in 2 CFR part 200, subpart D; has not
fulfilled the conditions of a prior grant;
or is otherwise not responsible.
4. Integrity and Performance System:
If you are selected under this
competition to receive an award that
over the course of the project period
may exceed the simplified acquisition
threshold (currently $250,000), under 2
CFR 200.206(a)(2), we must make a
judgment about your integrity, business
erics, and record of performance under
Federal awards—that is, the risk posed
by you as an applicant—before we make
an award. In doing so, we must consider
any information about you that is in the
integrity and performance system
(currently referred to as the Federal
Awardee Performance and Integrity
Information System (FAPIIS)),
accessible through the System for
Award Management. You may review
and comment on any information about
yourself that a Federal agency
previously entered and that is currently
in FAPIIS.
Please note that, if the total value of your
 currently active grants, cooperative
awards and contracts from the Federal
Government exceeds $10,000,000, the
reporting requirements
in 2 CFR part 200, Appendix XII,
require you to report certain integrity
information to FAPIIS semianually.
Please review the requirements in 2 CFR
part 200, Appendix XII, if this grant
plus all the other Federal funds you
receive exceed $10,000,000.
5. In General: In accordance with the
Office of Management and Budget’s
guidance located at 2 CFR part 200, all
applicable Federal laws, and relevant
Executive guidance, the Department
will review and consider applications
for funding pursuant to this notice
inviting applications in accordance with

(a) Selecting recipients most likely to
be successful in delivering results based
on the program objectives through an
objective process of evaluating Federal
award applications (2 CFR 200.205);
(b) Prohibiting the purchase of certain
communication and video
surveillance services or equipment in
alignment with section 889 of the
National Defense Authorization Act of
2019 (Pub. L. 115–232) (2 CFR 200.216);
(c) Providing a preference, to the
extent permitted by law, to maximize
use of goods, products, and materials
produced in the United States (2 CFR
200.322); and
(d) Terminating agreements in whole
or in part to the greatest extent
authorized by law if an award no longer
effectuates the program goals or agency
VI. Award Administration Information
1. Award Notices: If your application
is successful, we notify your U.S.
Representative and U.S. Senators and
send you a Grant Award Notification
(GAN); or we may send you an email
containing a link to access an electronic
version of your GAN. We may notify
you informally, also.
If your application is not evaluated or
not selected for funding, we notify you.
2. Administrative and National Policy
Requirements: We identify
administrative and national policy
requirements in the application package
and reference these and other
requirements in the Applicable
Regulations section of this notice.
We reference the regulations outlining
the terms and conditions of an award in
the Applicable Regulations section of
this notice and include these and other
specific conditions in the GAN. The
GAN also incorporates your approved
application as part of your binding
commitments under the grant.
3. Open Licensing Requirements:
Unless an exception applies, if you are
awarded a grant under this competition,
you will be required to openly license
to the public grant deliverables created
in whole, or in part, with Department grant funds. When the deliverable consists of modifications to pre-existing works, the license extends only to those modifications that can be separately identified and only to the extent that open licensing is permitted under the terms of any licenses or other legal restrictions on the use of pre-existing works. Additionally, a grantee or subgrantee that is awarded competitive grant funds must have a plan to disseminate these public grant deliverables. This dissemination plan can be developed and submitted after your application has been reviewed and selected for funding. For additional information on the open licensing requirements please refer to 2 CFR 3474.20.

4. Reporting: (a) If you apply for a grant under this competition, you must ensure that you have in place the necessary processes and systems to comply with the reporting requirements in 2 CFR part 170 should you receive funding under the competition. This does not apply if you have an exception under 2 CFR 170.110(b).

(b) At the end of your project period, you must submit a final performance report, including financial information, as directed by the Secretary. If you receive a multiyear award, you must submit an annual performance report that provides the most current performance and financial expenditure information as directed by the Secretary under 34 CFR 75.118. The Secretary may also require more frequent performance reports under 34 CFR 75.720(c), if specific requirements on reporting, please go to www.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/appforms/appforms.html.

Under 34 CFR 75.250(b), the Secretary may provide a grantee with additional funding for data collection analysis and reporting. In this case the Secretary establishes a data collection period.

5. Performance Measures: The Secretary has established the following key performance measures for assessing the effectiveness of the PBI Program for purposes of the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA):

(a) The percentage of change in the number of full-time, degree-seeking undergraduate students enrolled at PBIs.

(b) The percentage of first-time, full-time, degree-seeking undergraduate students at four-year PBIs who were in their first year of postsecondary enrollment in the previous year and are enrolled in the current year at the same four-year PBI.

(c) The percentage of first-time, full-time, degree-seeking undergraduate students at two-year PBIs who were in their first year of postsecondary enrollment in the previous year and are enrolled in the current year at the same two-year PBI.

(d) The percentage of first-time, full-time, degree-seeking undergraduate students enrolled at four-year PBIs who graduate within six years of enrollment.

(e) The percentage of first-time, full-time, degree-seeking undergraduate students enrolled at two-year PBIs who graduate within three years of enrollment.

6. Continuation Awards: In making a continuation award under 34 CFR 75.253, the Secretary considers, among other things: Whether a grantee has made substantial progress in achieving the goals and objectives of the project; whether the grantee has expended funds in a manner that is consistent with its approved application and budget; and, if the Secretary has established performance management requirements, the performance targets in the grantee’s approved application.

In making a continuation grant, the Secretary also considers whether the grantee is operating in compliance with the assurances in its approved application, including those applicable to Federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance from the Department (34 CFR 100.4, 104.5, 106.4, 108.8, and 110.23).

VII. Other Information

Accessible Format: On request to the program contact persons listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT, individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format. The Department will provide the requestor with an accessible format that may include Rich Text Format (RTF) or text format (txt), a thumb drive, an MP3 file, braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc, or other accessible format. Electronic Access to This Document: The official version of this document is the document published in the Federal Register. You may access the official edition of the Federal Register and the Code of Federal Regulations at www.govinfo.gov. At this site you can view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the Federal Register, in text or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF). To use PDF you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at this site.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No. ED–2021–SCC–0074]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Impact Aid Electronic Data Collection (EDC) Program Questionnaire

AGENCY: Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a new collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before July 13, 2021.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED–2021–SCC–0074. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please include the docket ID number and the title of the information collection request when requesting documents or submitting comments. Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the PRA Coordinator of the Strategic Collections and Clearance Governance and Strategy Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave. SW, LBJ, Room 6W208D, Washington, DC 20202–8240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Nicholas DiTaranto, (202) 453–7457.

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