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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics

AGENCY: White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics, U.S. Department of Education.

ACTION: Announcement of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and agenda of the twelfth meeting of the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics (Commission). The notice also describes the functions of the Commission. Notice of the meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and intended to notify the public of its opportunity to attend.

DATES: The President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: National Education Association, Robert E. Chanin Auditorium, 1201 16th Street NW., Washington, DC 20036, 202-453-5529.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Emmanuel Caudillo, Senior Advisor, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics, 400 Maryland Ave. SW., Room 4W108, Washington, DC 20202; telephone: 202-401-1411.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics Statutory Authority: The President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics (the Commission) is established by Executive Order 13555 (Oct. 19, 2010; continued on September 30, 2015 by Executive Order 13708). The Commission is governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), (Pub. L. 92-463; as amended, 5 U.S.C.A., Appendix 2) which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees. The purpose of the Commission is to advise the President and the Secretary of Education on all matters pertaining to the education attainment of the Hispanic community.

The Commission shall advise the President and the Secretary in the

following areas: (i) Developing, implementing, and coordinating educational programs and initiatives at the Department and other agencies to improve educational opportunities and outcomes for Hispanics of all ages; (ii) increasing the participation of the Hispanic community and Hispanic-Serving Institutions in the Department's programs and in education programs at other agencies; (iii) engaging the philanthropic, business, nonprofit, and education communities in a national dialogue regarding the mission and objectives of this order; (iv) establishing partnerships with public, private, philanthropic, and nonprofit stakeholders to meet the mission and policy objectives of this order.

Meeting Agenda

The open meeting will facilitate a discussion on the transition of Administration as it pertains to Hispanics and education related issues. The Commission members will provide recommendations for the Initiative's priorities for 2017.

Access to Records of the Meeting: The Department will post the official report of the meeting on the Commission's Web site 90 days after the meeting. Pursuant to the FACA, the public may also inspect the materials at 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC, by emailing Emmanuel.Caudillo@ed.gov or by calling (202) 401-1411 to schedule an appointment.

Individuals who wish to attend the Commission meeting must RSVP by 12 noon EST, Friday, December 2nd, 2016, to WHIEEH@ed.gov.

An opportunity for public comment will be available on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, from 1:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m., EST. Individuals who wish to provide comments will be allowed three minutes to speak. Members of the public can sign up to provide comments at the meeting via email at WHIEEH@ed.gov and also the day-of the meeting. It is first come, first serve. Those members of the public interested in submitting written comments may do so by submitting them to the attention of Emmanuel Caudillo, White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave. SW., Room 4W108, Washington, DC 20202, by 5:00 p.m. EST Friday, December 2, 2016 or via email at WHIEEH@ed.gov.

Reasonable Accommodations: Individuals who will need accommodations in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, or material in alternative format) should notify Emmanuel Caudillo, Senior Advisor,

White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics at 202-401-1411, no later than Friday, December 2nd, 2016. We will attempt to meet requests for such accommodations after this date, but cannot guarantee their availability. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

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Authority: Executive Order 13555; continued by Executive Order 13708.

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Under Secretary, U.S. Department of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No. ED-2016-ICCD-0130]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; ED School Climate Surveys (EDSCLS) National Benchmark Study 2017 Partial Cancellation Change Request

AGENCY: National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing a reinstatement of a previously approved information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 22, 2016.

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–2016–ICCD–0130. 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. *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 Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 2E–347, Washington, DC 20202–4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact NCES Information Collections at NCES.Information.Collections@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: ED School Climate Surveys (EDSCLS) National Benchmark Study 2017 Partial Cancellation Change Request.

OMB Control Number: 1850–0923.

Type of Review: No material or non-substantive change to a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 15,593.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 10,967.

Abstract: The ED School Climate Surveys (EDSCLS) are a suite of survey instruments being developed for schools, districts, and states by the U.S. Department of Education's (ED) National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). This national effort extends current activities that measure school climate, including the state-level efforts of the Safe and Supportive Schools (S3) grantees, which were awarded funds in 2010 by the ED's Office of Safe and Healthy Students (OSHS) to improve school climate. Through the EDSCLS, schools nationwide will have access to survey instruments and a survey platform that will allow for the collection and reporting of school climate data across stakeholders at the local level. The surveys can be used to produce school-, district-, and state-level scores on various indicators of school climate from the perspectives of students, teachers, noninstructional school staff and principals, and parents and guardians. The 2017 national EDSCLS benchmark study data collection from a nationally representative sample of schools across the United States to create a national comparison point for users of EDSCLS was last approved in May 2016 (OMB# 1850–0923 v.4) with revisions to scope and timeline approved in July and September 2016 (OMB# 1850–0923 v.5–6). Data were to be collected from a nationally representative sample of 500 schools serving students in grades 5–12 to produce national school climate scores on the various topics covered by EDSCLS. The national statistics were to be released in the updated EDSCLS platform to provide a basis for comparison between data collected by schools and school systems and the national school climate. Because, to date the study's projected overall unweighted participation rate is far below the 50% response rate recommended by NCES Statistical Standards, NCES is requesting to cancel any further recruitment and the EDSCLS National Benchmark Study 2017 as soon as possible. NCES will still offer to conduct the EDSCLS survey in the schools that opted to participate in a universe sample of all of their school's eligible respondents.

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Kate Mullan,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2016–ICCD–0097]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Student Assistance General Provisions—Subpart E—Verification Student Aid Application Information

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a revision of an existing information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 22, 2016.

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–2016–ICCD–0097. 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. *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 Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, LBJ, Room 2E–347, Washington, DC 20202–4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202–377–4018.

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