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IV. Request for Comments

The USPTO is soliciting public comments to:

(a) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

All comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. The USPTO will include or summarize each comment in the request to OMB to approve this information collection. Before including an address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information (PII) in a comment, be advised that the entire comment—including PII—may be made publicly available at any time. While one may request in a comment to withhold PII from public view, the USPTO cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so.

Justin Isaac,

Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Notice Announcing Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Program Competition**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education (ED) announces the opportunity to

apply for competitive grants for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 for the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Program (Javits), Assistance Listing Number 84.206A.

DATES: Complete proposals must be submitted electronically through the *Grants.gov* “APPLY” function by 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern time June 23, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mildred Horner-Smith. Telephone: (202) 987–1700. Email: *OESE.Javits@ed.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Javits program supports evidence-based research, demonstration projects, innovative strategies, and similar activities designed to build and enhance the ability of elementary schools and secondary schools nationwide to identify gifted and talented students and meet their special educational needs. The FY 2026 competition includes two absolute priorities, one competitive preference priority, selection criteria, and requirements. The absolute priorities are: (1) Developing new information that improves the capability of schools to identify and serve Gifted and Talented Students and Returning Education to the States; (2) Developing new information that improves the capability of schools to identify and serve Gifted and Talented Students. The competitive preference priority is: Meaningful Learning Opportunities for Students.

Eligible Applicants: To be considered for an award under this competition, an applicant must be a State educational agency, local educational agency, Bureau of Indian Education, institution of higher education, other public agency, or other private agency or organization.

Note: A faith-based organization is eligible to apply for and receive a grant under this program on the same basis as any other private organization, consistent with Appendix A to 34 CFR part 75.

Program Authority: Section 4644 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA) (20 U.S.C. 7294).

To Apply: The complete funding opportunity announcement and all information needed to apply, including the priority and program requirements, are available on ED's website at <https://www.ed.gov/grants-and-programs/grants-birth-grade-12/well-rounded-education-grants/jacob-k-javits-gifted-and-talented-students-education-program#Home> and on *Grants.gov* at <https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/362001>. The application notice and instructions on *Grants.gov* is the

official document governing the grant competition.

Accessible Format: On request to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, individuals with disabilities can obtain this document in an accessible format.

Kirsten Baesler,

Assistant Secretary, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2025–SCC–0085]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Common Core of Data (CCD) School-Level Finance Survey (SLFS) 2025–2027

AGENCY: National Center for Education Statistics (NCES); Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Department of Education (ED)

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is requesting an extension without change of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before May 27, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check the “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. Reginfo.gov provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the “View Information Collection (IC) List” link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by clicking on the “View Supporting Statement and Other Documents” link.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to Chris Greene, Senior Advisor, Institute of Education Sciences, 202–453–5926 or chris.greene@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department 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: Common Core of Data (CCD) School-Level Finance Survey (SLFS) 2025–2027.

OMB Control Number: 1850–0930.

Type of Review: An extension without change of a currently approved ICR.

Respondents/Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 325.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 6,535.

Abstract: The School-Level Finance Survey (SLFS) is an annual collection of school-level finance data published in the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) Common Core of Data (CCD). The U.S. Census Bureau (Census), Economic Reimbursable Surveys Division, administers the SLFS data collection for NCES under interagency agreement in conjunction with the National Public Education Financial Survey (NPEFS) (OMB #1850–0067) and the Local Education Agency (School District) Finance Survey (F–33) (OMB #0607–0700). SLFS is a comprehensive source of school-level finance data for public education collected on a nationwide scale using uniform definitions, concepts, and procedures. The collection includes the salaries, benefits, and total current expenditures broken out by activity (function) for all publicly funded schools serving students in prekindergarten through 12th grade. In this notice, NCES is announcing its intention to extend the date of clearance for SLFS, without change, to the currently approved collection. Detailed information about the collection can be found at https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202307-1850-003.

Data will be collected from State Education Agencies (SEAs) for all 50 states and the District of Columbia. SEAs appoint state fiscal coordinators to work with NCES and the U.S. Census Bureau to provide accurate and comparable data across states and

jurisdictions. SEAs typically collect finance data from school districts for their own uses. Many states produce a state-specific chart of accounts or accounting manual to assist school districts in classifying and reporting finance data and producing government-wide financial statements. Uniform definitions and concepts of revenues and expenditures are defined by the NCES handbook *Financial Accounting for Local and State School Systems*.

Data on school-level spending patterns is helpful for parents to make choices for the education of their child. Uniform and comparable data helps states measure the effectiveness of resource allocation. Collecting this data at the national level addresses the need for reliable and unbiased measures that can be utilized to compare how resources are distributed among schools within local districts. Education finance statistics provided by this collection allow for comparisons of how public elementary-secondary schools are spending their funds.

Prior Public Comments on This Proposed Action

A 60-day notice was published in the **Federal Register** on July 18, 2025 (90 FR 33933). Three comments were received. None prompted NCES to change the proposed collection. Individual comments and NCES's response can be found in Section A.8 of Supporting Statement Part A. This and other documentation can be found on www.reginfo.gov.

Ross Santy,

Chief Data Officer, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC26–13–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–73) Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is submitting its information collection FERC Form No. 73: Oil

Pipeline Service Life Data to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. No comments were received on the 60-day notice that was published on February 17, 2026.

DATES: Comments on the collections of information are due May 27, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on FERC–73 to OMB through https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRA/icrPublicCommentRequest?ref_nbr=202603-1902-006. You can also visit <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> and use the drop-down under “Currently under Review” to select the “Federal Energy Regulatory Commission” where you can see the open opportunities to provide comments. Comments should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice.

Please submit a copy of your comments to the Commission via email to DataClearance@FERC.gov. You must specify the Docket No. (IC26–13–000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC–73) in your email. If you are unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

- *Mail via U.S. Postal Service Only:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

All other delivery methods: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kayla Williams may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, or by telephone at (202) 502–6468.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC Form No. 73, Oil Pipeline Service Life Data.

OMB Control No.: 1902–0019.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC Form No. 73 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: The Commission collects FERC Form No. 73 information as part of its authority under the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. 60501, *et al.* FERC Form No. 73 contains necessary information for the review of oil pipeline companies' proposed depreciation rates, as regulated entities are required to provide service life data illustrating the remaining physical life of an oil pipeline's properties. This is used to calculate the company's cost of service and its transportation rates to access customers. The Commission implements these filing reviews under 18 CFR 357.3, and 18 CFR part 347.