DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA NO.: 84.214A]

Migrant Education Even Start Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for FY 1996

NOTE TO APPLICANTS: This notice is a complete application package. Together with the statute authorizing the program and the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR), the notice contains all of the information, application forms, and instructions needed to apply for a grant under this competition.

PURPOSE OF PROGRAM: The Migrant Education Even Start (MEES) Program is designed to help break the cycle of poverty and improve the literacy of participating migrant families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified family literacy program.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS: While any entity is eligible to apply for a grant under the MEES program, the U.S. Secretary of Education (Secretary) specifically invites applications from State educational agencies (SEAs) that administer Migrant Education Programs; local educational agencies (LEAs) that have a high percentage of migrant students; and non-profit community-based organizations that work with migrant families.

DEADLINE FOR TRANSMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS: June 11, 1996.

DEADLINE FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEW: August 12, 1996.

AVAILABLE FUNDS: While final FY 1996 funding for this program is contingent upon final congressional action, the Secretary estimates that approximately \$3,000,000 will be available for new awards.

ESTIMATED RANGE OF AWARDS: \$88,000–\$270,000.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE SIZE OF AWARDS: \$200,000.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF AWARDS: 15 Grants.

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

PROJECT PERIOD: Up to 48 months. **MAXIMUM AWARD:** The Secretary does not consider an application that proposes a budget exceeding \$270,000 for each 12-

month budget period. APPLICABLE REGULATIONS:

- (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) as follows:
- (1) 34 CFR part 74 (Administration of Grants and Agreements with Institutions

of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Nonprofit Organizations).

(2) 34 CFR part 75 (Direct Grant Programs).

(3) 34 CFR part 77 (Definitions that Apply to Department Regulations).

(4) 34 CFR part 79 (Intergovernmental Review of Department of Education Programs and Activities).

- (5) 34 CFR part 80 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments).
- (6) 34 CFR part 81 (General Education Provisions Act—Enforcement).

(7) 34 CFR part 82 (New Restrictions on Lobbying).

(8) 34 CFR part 85 (Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)).

(b) The definitions of migratory child, migratory agricultural worker and migratory fisher contained in 34 CFR 200.30 and 200.40

Description of the Program

Under the authority of section 1202(a)(1)(A) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended, the Secretary awards grants to eligible applicants under the MEES Program for projects that—

(1) Improve the educational opportunities of migrant families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified family literacy program;

(2) Implement cooperative activities that build on existing community resources to create a new range of services to migrant families;

- (3) Promote achievement of the National Education Goals (section 102 of the Goals 2000: Educate America Act), especially goals one (school readiness), six (adult literacy), and eight (parent involvement and participation); and
- (4) Assist children and adults from migrant families to achieve challenging State content standards and challenging State student performance standards.

Required Program Elements

- (a) Eligible participants. Eligible MEES participants consist of migratory children and their parents, as defined in 34 CFR 200.30 and 200.40, who also meet the following conditions specified in section 1206(a) of the ESEA:
 - (1) The parent or parents—
- (i) Are eligible for participation in an adult basic education program under the Adult Education Act; or
- (ii) Are within the State's compulsory school attendance age range, so long as

a local educational agency provides (or ensures the availability of) the basic education component required under this part; and

(2) The child or children must be younger than eight years of age.

Note: Family members of eligible participants also may participate in MEES activities when appropriate to service Even Start purposes. In addition, section 1206(b) of the ESEA permits a family found eligible for MEES services to remain so until all family members become ineligible to participate. For example, in the case of a family in which the parent or parents lose eligibility because of their educational advancement, the parent or parents can still participate in MEES activities until all children in the family reach age eight. In addition, the Department interprets 34 CFR 200.30 together with section 1206(b) or ESEA to mean that MEES services can continue to be provided to a parent or child who is no longer migratory provided that the family has at least one parent or child who is a migratory worker or child as defined under 34 CFR 200.40.

- (b) Required program elements. Any MEES project must, at a minimum, incorporate the following program elements specified in section 1205 of the ESEA—
- Identification and recruitment of migrant families most in need of MEES services, as indicated by a low level of income, a low level of adult literacy or English language proficiency of the eligible parent or parents, and other need-related indicators:
- Screening and preparation of parents, including teenage parents and children, to enable these parents to participate fully in program activities and services, including testing, referral to counseling, other developmental and support services, and related services;

The provision of MEES services to those migrant families most in need of project services and activities;

- High-quality instructional programs that promote adult literacy and empower parents to support the educational growth of their children, developmentally appropriate early childhood educational services, and the preparation of children for success in the regular school programs;
- A design for service delivery that accommodates the participants' work schedule and other responsibilities, including the provision of support services, when such services are unavailable from other sources, but are necessary for participation in project activities, such as—
- —Scheduling and locating of services to allow joint participation by parents and children;
- —Child care for the period that parents are involved in the project activities; and

—Transportation for the purpose of enabling parents and their children to participate in project activities;

• Special training of staff, including child care staff, to develop the skills necessary to work with parents and young children in the full range of instructional services offered by the project;

• Provision of integrated instructional services, and monitoring of these services, to participating parents and children through home-based activities;

• Operation on a year-round basis, including the provision of some program services, instructional or enrichment, during the summer months;

Note: Given the mobility of the population to be served by the MEES program, the Secretary interprets the requirement for the project to operate on a year-round basis to mean that activities must be conducted throughout the period in which participating migrant families reside in the project area. Applicants are free to interpret the requirement in other ways that are consistent with section 1205(7) of the ESEA.

• Appropriate coordination with other programs funded under ESEA, any relevant programs under the Adult Education Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the Job Training Partnership Act, the Head Start program, volunteer literacy programs, and other relevant programs; and

 An independent evaluation. In addition, to promote the kind of strong community collaboration needed for effective Even Start projects, sections 1202(e) and 1207(a) of the ESEA require applicants for grants under the basic Even Start program administered by SEAs to be "eligible entities", i.e., partnerships composed of (1) a local educational agency (LEA); and (2) a nonprofit community-based organization, a public agency other than an LEA, an institution of higher education, or a public or private nonprofit organization, of demonstrated quality, other than an LEA. While those operating a MEES project do not need to be eligible entities, the Secretary strongly encourages those who would operate MEES projects to enhance the effectiveness of those projects through formation of strong, on-going collaborative relationships among these kinds of local entities.

—(c) Federal and local funding. A MEES project's funding is comprised of both a Federal portion of funds (Federal share) and a portion contributed by the eligible applicant (local share). However, the Federal share of the program may not exceed—

• 90 percent of the total cost of the program in the first year;

• 80 percent in the second year;

• 70 percent in the third year;

60 percent in the fourth year; and50 percent in any subsequent year.

The Federal share of a grant for a second four-year cycle shall not exceed 50 percent. The local share of the MEES project may be provided in cash or in kind and may be obtained from any source, including other Federal programs funded by ESEA. Federal funds may not be used for indirect costs of a MEES project.

Note: While section 1204(b)(2) of the ESEA permits SEAs, under certain circumstances, to waive the local share requirement for eligible entities receiving grants under the basic Even Start program administered by SEAs, the program statute contains no comparable provision allowing the Secretary to waive the local share requirement for those receiving MEES grants.

Selection Criteria

- (a) (1) The Secretary uses the following selection criteria to evaluate applications for new grants under this competition.
- (2) The maximum score for all of these criteria is 100 points.
- (3) The maximum score for each criterion is indicated in parentheses.

(b) The criteria:

- (1) Meeting the purposes of the authorizing statute. (20 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine how well the project will—
- (i) Improve the educational opportunities of migrant families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified family literacy program;

(ii) Implement cooperative projects that build on existing community resources to create a new range of services to migrant families;

(iii) Promote achievement of the National Education Goals, especially the goals that address school readiness, student achievement, and parent involvement and participation; and

(iv) Assist children and adults from migrant families to achieve challenging State content standards and challenging State student performance standards.

- (2) Extent of need for the project. (20 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the extent to which the project would meet the needs of eligible migratory children and their parents (including guardians and primary caretakers) for the services and activities that the project would provide, including consideration of—
- (i) The needs addressed by the project;
- (ii) How the applicant identifies those needs;
- (iii) How those needs will be met by the project; and

(iv) The benefits gained by meeting those needs.

Note: Applicants may address this criterion in any way that is reasonable, given the purpose of the MEES program. Applicants may, for example, address such factors as the following:

(A) The area(s) to be served have high percentages or large numbers of migratory children and their parents, guardians, or primary caretakers in need of MEES services;

(B) The lack of availability of comprehensive family literacy services for the migrant population;

(C) How community resources will be used to benefit project participants.

Note: An applicant can address this criterion in any way that is reasonable. An applicant can address this riterior in any way that is reasonable. An applicant might, for example, provide a brief description of each resource the project intends to include, or a list of these resources.

- (D) How the project will integrate child development, adult literacy, and parenting activities; and
- (E) How the project will assist migrant children and adults to achieve the State content standards and student performance standards.
- (3) *Plan of operation.* (35 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the quality of the plan of operation for the project, including—
- (i) The quality of the design of the project;

Note: Applicants may address this criterion in any way that is reasonable. However, concerning design of the project, the Secretary believes that an effective application would incorporate, at a minimum, the various program elements required under section 1205 of the ESEA and listed in the *Required program elements* section of this notice.

- (ii) The extent to which the plan of management is effective and ensures proper and efficient administration of the project;
- (iii) How well the objectives of the project relate to the purpose of the program;
- (iv) The quality of the applicant's plan to use its resources and personnel to achieve each objective; and
- (v) How the applicant will ensure that project participants who are otherwise eligible to participate are selected without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability.
- (4) Quality of key personnel. (10 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the quality of key personnel the applicant plans to use on the project, including—
- (i) The qualifications of the project director (if one is to be used);
- (ii) The qualifications of each of the other key personnel to be used in the project;

(iii) The time that the project director and the other key personnel will commit to the project; and

(iv) How the applicant, as part if its nondiscriminatory employment practices, will ensure that its personnel are selected for employment without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, age, or handicapping condition.

To determine personnel qualifications under paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this criterion, the Secretary will review—

- (A) Experience and training in fields related to the objectives of the project, and
- (B) Any other qualifications that pertain to the quality of the project.

Note: Applicants may address this criterion in any way that is reasonable. Any applicant may, for example, (1) demonstrate that it has the qualified personnel needed to develop, administer, and implement a MEES project, and if not, will provide access to the special training necessary to prepare staff for the project, or (2) include a resume for each proposed project staff member or a position description for each proposed but not-yet-filled position.

- (5) Budget and cost effectiveness. (2 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the extent of which—
- (i) The budget is adequate to support the project; and
- (ii) Costs are reasonable in relation to the goals and objectives of the project.
- (6) Evaluation plan. (10 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the quality of the evaluation plan for the project, including the extent to which the applicant's methods of evaluation—
 - (i) Are appropriate to the project; and
- (ii) To the extent possible, are objective and produce data that are quantifiable.

Note: This plan must permit the preparation of an evaluation that meets the requirements of 34 CFR 75.590, as well as an annual performance report that evaluates whether project objectives are being met and, if not, includes the changes in program activities that will be adopted (see 34 CFR 75.118 and 75.253). (Instructions for the annual performance report are included in the Appendix to this document.) See also the discussion under NATIONAL EVALUATION.

(7) Adequacy of resources. (3 points) The Secretary reviews each application to determine the adequacy of the resources that the applicant plans to devote to the project, including facilities, equipment, and supplies.

National Evaluation

The Department is conducting a national evaluation of Even Start Family Literacy projects. Grantees must cooperate with the Department's efforts by adopting an evaluation plan that is consistent with the national evaluation (as well as with the grantee's responsibilities under 34 CFR 75.118, 75.253 and 75.590). It is not expected that the application will include a complete evaluation plan because grantees will be asked to cooperate with the national evaluation of the Even Start Family Literacy Program to be conducted by an independent contractor. Grantees may be required to amend their plans, however, to conform with the national evaluation.

The Secretary suggests that each applicant budget for evaluation activities as follows: a project with an estimated cost of up to \$120,000 should designate \$5,000 for this purpose; a project with an estimated cost of over \$120,000 should designate \$10,000 for this purpose. These funds will be used for expenditures related to the collection and aggregation of data required for the Department's national evaluation. The Secretary also recommends that applicants budget for the cost of travel to Washington, DC, and two nights' lodging for the project director and project evaluator, for their participation in annual evaluation meetings.

Information by Project and Budget Periods

Under 34 CFR 75.112 and 75.117, a project application must propose a project period, and include budgetary information for each budget period of the proposed project period. The Secretary requests that the budgetary information include an amount for all key project components with an accompanying breakdown of any subcomponents (a form for reporting this information is contained in the appendix to this notice), along with a written justification for all requested amounts.

34 CFR 75.112(b) also requires that an applicant describe how and when, in each budget period of the project, it plans to meet each objective of the project.

Note: The Department will use this information, in conjunction with the grantee's annual performance report required under 34 CFR 75.118(a), to determine whether to make a continuation award for the subsequent budget year. Under 34 CFR 75.253, a grantee can receive a continuation award only if it demonstrates that it either has made substantial progress toward meeting the objectives of the approved project, or has received the Secretary's approval of changes in the project to enable it to meet the objectives in the succeeding budget periods.

Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs

This program is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 12372 (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs) and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79.

The objective of the Executive Order is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and to strengthen federalism by relying on State and local processes for State and local government coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance.

Applicants must contact the appropriate State Single Point of Contact to find out about, and to comply with, the State's process under Executive Order 12372. Applicants proposing to perform activities in more than one State should immediately contact the Single Point of Contact for each of those States and follow the procedure established in each State under the Executive Order. If you want to know the name and address of any State Single Point of Contact, see the list published in the Federal Register on August 10, 1995. (60 FR 40956)

In States that have not established a process or chosen a program for review, State, area-wide, regional, and local entities may submit comments directly to the Department.

Any State Process Recommendation and other comments submitted by a State Single Point of Contact and any comments from State, area-wide, regional, and local entities must be mailed or hand-delivered by the date indicated in this notice to the following address: The Secretary, E.O. 12372—CFDA# 84.214A, U.S. Department of Education, Room 6213, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202–0125.

Proof of mailing will be determined on the same basis as applications (see 34 CFR 75.102). Recommendations or comments may be hand-delivered until 4:30 p.m. (Washington, D.C. time) on the date indicated in this notice.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ABOVE ADDRESS IS NOT THE SAME ADDRESS AS THE ONE TO WHICH THE APPLICANT SUBMITS ITS COMPLETED APPLICATION. DO NOT SEND APPLICATIONS TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS.

Instructions for Transmittal of Applications

- (a) If an applicant wants to apply for a grant, the applicant shall—
- (1) Mail the original and two copies of the application on or before the deadline date to: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center,

Attention: (CFDA #84.214A), Washington, D.C. 20202–4725; or

(2) Hand deliver the original and two copies of the application by 4:30 p.m. (Washington, D.C. time) on the deadline date to: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA #84.214A), Room #3633, Regional Office Building #3, 7th and D Streets, S.W., Washington, DC.

(b) An applicant must show one of the

following as proof of mailing:

(1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark.

- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.
- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.

(4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary.

- (c) If an application is mailed through the U.S. Postal Service, the Secretary does not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:
 - (1) A private metered postmark.
- (2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

Notes: (1) The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, an applicant should check with its local post office.

- (2) The Application Control Center will mail a Grant Application Receipt Acknowledgment to each applicant. If an applicant fails to receive the notification of application receipt within 15 days from the date of mailing the application, the applicant should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 708–9494.
- (3) The applicant *must* indicate on the envelope and—if not provided by the Department—in Item 10 of the Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424) the CFDA number—and suffix letter, if any—

of the competition under which the application is being submitted.

Application Instructions and Forms

The appendix to this application is divided into three parts plus a statement regarding estimated public reporting burden and various assurances and certifications. These parts and additional materials are organized in the same manner that the submitted application should be organized. The parts and additional materials are as follows:

Part I: Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424 (Rev. 4–88)) and instructions.

Part II: Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (ED Form No. 524) and instructions.

Part III: Application Narrative.

Additional Materials

Estimated Public Reporting Burden. Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (Standard Form 424B).

Certifications regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (ED 80–0013, 6/90).

Certification regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion: Lower Tier Covered Transactions (ED 80–0014, 9/90) and instructions. (NOTE: ED 80–0014 is intended for the use of grantees and should not be transmitted to the Department.)

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Standard Form LLL) (if applicable) and instructions; and Disclosure of Lobbying Activities Continuation Sheet (Standard Form LLL-A).

An applicant may submit information on a photostatic copy of the application and budget forms, the assurances, and the certifications. However, the application form, the assurances, and the certifications must each have an original signature. No grant may be awarded unless a completed application form has been received.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Martha Chavez, U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Office of Migrant Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 4100, Portals Building, Washington, DC 20202–6135.
Telephone Number: (202) 260–2114. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Information about the Department's funding opportunities, including copies of application notices for discretionary grant competitions, can be viewed on the Department's electronic bulletin board (ED Board), telephone (202) 260–9950; or on the Internet Gopher Server at GOPHER.ED.GOV (under Announcements, Bulletins and Press Releases). However, the official application notice for a discretionary grant competition is the notice published in the Federal Register.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 6362(a)(1)(A).

Dated: March 27, 1996.

Gerald N. Tipozzi,

Assistant Secretary, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education.

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APPENDIX-PART I

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SF 424

This is a standard form used by applicants as a required facesheet for preapplications and applications submitted for Federal assistance. It will be used by Federal agencies to obtain applicant certification that States which have established a review and comment procedure in response to Executive Order 12372 and have selected the program to be included in their process, have been given an opportunity to review the applicant's submission.

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- 1. Self-explanatory.
- 2. Date application submitted to Federal agency (or State if applicable) & applicant's control number (if applicable).
- 3. State use only (if applicable).
- 4. If this application is to continue or revise an existing award, enter present Federal identifier number. If for a new project, leave blank.
- 5. Legal name of applicant, name of primary organizational unit which will undertake the assistance activity, complete address of the applicant, and name and telephone number of the person to contact on matters related to this application.
- 6. Enter Employer Identification Number (EIN) as assigned by the Internal Revenue Service.
- Enter the appropriate letter in the space provided.
- 8. Check appropriate box and enter appropriate letter(s) in the space(s) provided:
 - "New" means a new assistance award.
 - "Continuation" means an extension for an additional funding/budget period for a project with a projected completion date.
 - "Revision" means any change in the Federal Government's financial obligation or contingent liability from an existing obligation.
- 9. Name of Federal agency from which assistance is being requested with this application.
- Use the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number and title of the program under which assistance is requested.
- 11. Enter a brief descriptive title of the project. if more than one program is involved, you should append an explanation on a separate sheet. If appropriate (e.g., construction or real property projects), attach a map showing project location. For preapplications, use a separate sheet to provide a summary description of this project.

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- 12. List only the largest political entities affected (e.g., State, counties, cities).
- 13. Self-explanatory.
- List the applicant's Congressional District and any District(s) affected by the program or project.
- 15. Amount requested or to be contributed during the first funding/budget period by each contributor. Value of in-kind contributions should be included on appropriate lines as applicable. If the action will result in a dollar change to an existing award, indicate only the amount of the change. For decreases, enclose the amounts in parentheses. If both basic and supplemental amounts are included, show breakdown on an attached sheet. For multiple program funding, use totals and show breakdown using same categories as item 15.
- Applicants should contact the State Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for Federal Executive Order 12372 to determine whether the application is subject to the State intergovernmental review process.
- 17. This question applies to the applicant organization, not the person who signs as the authorized representative. Categories of debt include delinquent audit disallowances, loans and taxes.
- 18. To be signed by the authorized representative of the applicant. A copy of the governing body's authorization for you to sign this application as official representative must be on file in the applicant's office. (Certain Federal agencies may require that this authorization be submitted as part of the application.)

PART II

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Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to vary from 13 to 22 hours per response, with an average of 17.5 hours, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the U.S. Department of Education, Information Management and Compliance Division, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project 1875-0102, Washington, D.C. 20503.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ED FORM NO. 524

General Instructions

This form is used to apply to individual U.S. Department of Education discretionary grant programs. Unless directed otherwise, provide the same budget information for each year of the multi-year funding request. Pay attention to applicable program specific instructions, if attached.

Section A - Budget Summary U.S. Department of Education Funds

All applicants must complete Section A and provide a breakdown by the applicable budget categories shown in lines 1-11.

- Lines 1-11, columns (a)-(e):
 - For each project year for which funding is requested, show the total amount requested for each applicable budget category.
- Lines 1-11, column (f):

Show the multi-year total for each budget category. If funding is requested for only one project year, leave this column blank.

- Line 12, columns (a)-(e):
 - Show the total budget request for each project year for which funding is requested.
- Line 12, column (f):

Show the total amount requested for all project years. If funding is requested for only one year, leave this space blank.

Instructions for ED Form 524 (cont.)

Section B - Budget Summary Non-Federal Funds

If you are required to provide or volunteer to provide matching funds or other non-Federal resources to the project, these should be shown for each applicable budget category on lines 1-11 of Section B.

- Lines 1-11, columns (a)-(e):
 - For each project year for which matching funds or other contributions are provided, show the total contribution for each applicable budget category.
- Lines 1-11, column (f): Show the multi-year total for each budget category. If non-Federal contributions are provided for only one year, leave this column blank.
- Line 12, columns (a)-(e): Show the total matching or other contribution for each project year.
- Line 12, column (f): Show the total amount to be contributed for all years of the multi-year project. If non-Federal contributions are provided for only one year, leave this space blank.

Section C - Other Budget Information Pay attention to applicable program specific instructions, if attached.

- Provide an itemized budget breakdown, by project year, for each budget 1. category listed in Sections A and B.
- If applicable to this program, enter the type of indirect rate (provisional, 2. predetermined, final or fixed) that will be in effect during the funding period. In addition, enter the estimated amount of the base to which the rate is applied, and the total indirect expense.
- If applicable to this program, provide the rate and base on which fringe 3. benefits are calculated.
- Provide other explanations or comments you deem necessary. 4.

Part III

Instructions for Part III—Application Narrative

Before preparing the Application Narrative, an applicant should read carefully the description of the program and the selection criteria the Secretary uses to evaluate applications.

The narrative should encompass each function or activity for which funds are being requested and should—

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- 1. Begin with an Abstract; that is, a summary of the proposed project.
- 2. Describe the proposed project in light of each of the selection criteria in the order in which the criteria are listed in this application package. [Note: While applicants can address the criteria in any way that is reasonable, given the required emphasis of any MEES project on early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education, the Secretary believes that a reasonable plan of operation would address these three objectives. Moreover, consistent with 34

CFR 75.112(b), which requires that the application describe how and when, in each budget period, the applicant plans to meet each project objective, the Secretary believes that applicants would want particularly to describe each goal in terms of measurable objectives, specific activities that are proposed to meet each objective, time lines associated with these activities, the resources believed to be needed to achieve each objective, and how each objective will be evaluated.]

- 3. Provide the following information in response to the attached "NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS": (1) a reference to the portion of the application in which the applicant has described the steps that the applicant proposes to take to remove barriers to equitable access to, and equitable participation in, project activities; or (2) a separate statement that contains this information.
- 4. Include any other pertinent information that might assist the Secretary in reviewing the application.

The Application Narrative must be double-spaced, typed on one side only, and must not exceed 50 numbered pages—appendices excepted.

Instructions for Estimated Public Reporting Burden

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1810–0541. (Expiration date: March 31, 1999) The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 60 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651. If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission of this form, write directly to: Office of Migrant Education, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20202-4651.

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ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

Note: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant I certify that the applicant:

- Has the legal authority to apply for Federal
 assistance, and the institutional, managerial and
 financial capability (including funds sufficient to
 pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to
 ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
- Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, and if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
- Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees
 from using their positions for a purpose that
 constitutes or presents the appearance of personal
 or organizational conflict of interest, or personal
 gain.
- Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
- 5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the nineteen statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
- 6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C.§§ 6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age;

- (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§ 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. 290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
- 7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
- 8. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§ 1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
- 9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. § 276c and 18 U.S.C. §§ 874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 327-333), regarding labor standards for federally assisted construction subagreements.

- 10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program andto purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
- 11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. \$\$ 1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clear Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clear Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, (P.L. 93-523); and (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (P.L. 93-205).
- 12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§ 1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.

- 13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 469a-1 et seq.).
- 14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
- 15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
- 16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
- 17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act of 1984.
- 18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations and policies governing this program.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE	
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION		DATE SUBMITTED

CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING; DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations before completing this form. Signature of this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 34 CFR Part 82, "New Restrictions on Lobbying," and 34 CFR Part 85, "Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)." The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Department of Education determines to award the covered transaction, grant, or cooperative agreement.

1. LOBBYING

As required by Section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 82, for persons entering into a grant or cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 34 CFR Part 82, Sections 82.105 and 82.110, the applicant certifies that:

- (a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement;
- (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions;
- (c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

2. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.105 and 85.110 —

- A. The applicant certifies that it and its principals:
- (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and

- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and
- B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

3. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTEES OTHER THAN INDIVIDUALS)

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.605 and 85.610 —

- A. The applicant certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:
- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- (b) Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees about—
- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
- (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
- (c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
- (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will—
- (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
- (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
- (e) Notifying the agency, in writing, within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to: Director, Grants and Contracts Service, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. (Room 3124, GSA Regional Office

AND OF ALL MOUNT	PR/AWARD NUMBER AND/OR PROJECT NAME
As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I hereby cer	
Check ☐ if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.	
Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)	
B. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:	Washington, DC 20202-4571. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.
drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency; (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).	B. If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, I will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to: Director, Grants and Contracts Service, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. (Room 3124, GSA Regional Office Building No. 3),
(1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drive abuse assistance as such abilitation and the satisfactorily in a	A. As a condition of the grant, I certify that I will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant; and
(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted—	As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 34 CFR Part 85, Sections 85.605 and 85.610
Building No. 3), Washington, DC 20202-4571. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;	DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTEES WHO ARE INDIVIDUALS)

DATE

SIGNATURE

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion -- Lower Tier Covered Transactions

This certification is required by the Department of Education regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 34 CFR Part 85, for all lower tier transactions meeting the threshold and tier requirements stated at Section 85.110.

Instructions for Certification

- By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred,"
 "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered
 transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered
 transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily
 excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings
 set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of
 rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may
 contact the person to which this proposal is submitted
 for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

NAME OF APPLICANT	PR/AWARD NUMBER AND/OR PROJECT NAME
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
SIGNATURE	DATE

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Approved by OMB 0348-0046

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 (See reverse for public hurden disclosure.)

1. Type of Federal Actions a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee		application at the initial filing b. material change for Material Change Only: year quarter date of last report		
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8. Federal Action Number, if known:		9. Award Amoun	it, if known:		
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying E (if individual, last name, first name	ntity e, <i>Mil)</i> :	b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI):			
	(attach Continuation Sheet		ent (check all that apply):		
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14. Brief Description of Services Performed or to be Performed and Date(s) of Service, including officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) contacted, for Payment Indicated in Item 11: (attack Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if pecessary)					
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16. Information requested through this form is authorection 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier transaction was made or entered into. This disclosified the state of the state o	is a material representation above when this sure is required pursuant to to the Congress semi- a. Any person who fails to vil penalty of not less than	Signature: Print Name: Title: Telephone No.:_	Date:		
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Use the SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet for additional information if the space on the form is inadequate. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
- 2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
- 5.-If the organization filing the report in Item 4 checks "Subawardee", then enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
- 6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
- Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
- 9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
- 10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
 - (b)Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
- 11. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (item 4) to the lobbying entity (item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all boxes that apply. If this is a material change report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be made.
- 12. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
- 13. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If other, specify nature.
- 14. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed, or will be expected to perform, and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity, not just time spent in actual contact with Federal officials. Identify the Federal official(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
- 15. Check whether or not a SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet(s) is attached.
- 16. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 mintues per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, D.C. 20503.

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES CONTINUATION SHEET

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Notice to All Applicants

Thank you for your interest in this program. The purpose of this enclosure is to inform you about a new provision in the Department of Education's General Education Provision Act (GEPA) that applies to applicants for new grant awards under Department programs. This provision is section 427 of GEPA, enacted as part of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103–382).

To Whom Does This Provision Apply?

Section 427 of GEPA affects applicants for new discretionary grant awards under this program. ALL APPLICANTS FOR NEW AWARDS MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION IN THEIR APPLICATIONS TO ADDRESS THIS NEW PROVISION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FUNDING UNDER THIS PROGRAM.

What Does This Provision Require?

Section 427 requires each applicant for funds (other than an individual person) to include in its application a description of the steps the applicant proposes to take to ensure equitable access to, and participation in, its federally-assisted program for students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries with special needs.

This section allows applicants discretion in developing the required description. The statute highlights six types of barriers that can impede equitable access or participation that you may address: gender, race, national origin, color, disability, or age. Based on local circumstances, you can determine

whether these or other barriers may prevent your students, teachers, etc. from equitable access or participation. Your description need not be lengthy; you may provide a clear and succinct description of how you plan to address those barriers that are applicable to your circumstances. In addition, the information may be provided in a single narrative, or, if appropriate, may be discussed in connection with related topics in the application.

Section 427 is not intended to duplicate the requirements of civil rights statutes, but rather to ensure that, in designing their projects, applicants for Federal funds address equity concerns that may affect the ability of certain potential beneficiaries to fully participate in the project and to achieve to high standards. Consistent with program requirements and its approved application, an applicant may use the Federal funds awarded to it to eliminate barriers it identifies.

What are Examples of How an Applicant Might Satisfy the Requirement of This Provision?

The following examples may help illustrate how an applicant may comply with section 427.

- (1) An applicant that proposes to carry out an adult literacy project serving, among others, adults with limited English proficiency, might describe in its application how it intends to distribute a brochure about the proposed project to such potential participants in their native language.
- (2) An applicant that proposes to develop instructional materials for classroom use might describe how it

- will make the materials available on audio tape or in braille for students who are blind.
- (3) An applicant that proposes to carry out a model science program for secondary students and is concerned that girls may be less likely than boys to enroll in the course, might indicate how it tends to conduct "outreach" efforts to girls, to encourage their enrollment.

We recognize that many applicants may already be implementing effective steps to ensure equity of access and participation in their grant programs, and we appreciate your cooperation in responding to the requirements of this provision.

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1.	Recipie	nt Name a	and Address:	2. PR/Award No. (e.g., H158A20021-95)
3.	Project	Tit le :		
			:	
4.	Contact	Person:		5. Telephone Number: Fax Number:
6.	E-mail	Ad dress :		7. Performance Reporting Period:
8.	Current	Budget P	eriod (From Block 5 of Grant Award):	
9.	Report	on Curren	t Budget Period - Federal	
			Budget Categories	Obligations
		Α	Personnel	
	•	В	Fringe Benefits	
		С	Travei	
	-	D	Equipment	
		E	Supplies	
		F	Contractual	
		G -	Construction	
		Н	Other	
		ı	Total Direct Costs (Line A-H)	
		J	Indirect Costs	
		К	Training Stipends	
		L	Total Expenditures (Line I-K)	
10.	For pro	pjects that	require matching funds or other non-Fede	eral contributions, please provide totals.
11.	Will the	ere be any	unobligated grant funds at the end of the	e current budget period? YES NO
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Instructions for the Annual Performance Report

To receive a continuation award, recipients of discretionary grants must submit an annual performance report that establishes substantial progress toward meeting their project objectives. The instructions for the annual performance report have been designed to provide the Department with the information that it needs to determine whether recipients have done so. (See sections 75.118, 75.253 and 75.590 of the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR).) Do not use these instructions to prepare the final performance report after the project is completed.

Parts I–III and V of these instructions request from recipients the information that EDGAR requires to permit the Secretary to make decisions on whether or not to make continuation awards. Part IV of these instructions requests a summary of new information that may bear on the direction of future activities. This information is requested to help the Department to monitor grant activities and provide technical assistance to recipients. For convenience, an optional form for reporting Parts I and V has been provided with these instructions. However, the requested information may be provided in any reasonable

Recipients will need to submit an original and one copy of the annual performance report. The Department will notify recipients of the due date for submission of the performance report, which will be as late as possible in the project's current budget period.

For those programs that operate under statutes or regulations that require additional (or different) reporting for performance or monitoring purposes, the Department also will inform recipients whether any other (or different) reporting is necessary, and when this additional reporting should be made.

I. Cover Sheet

Please provide the following information:

- 1. Recipient name and address. Unless changed repeat from Block 1 on your last Notification of Grant Award.
- 2. PR/Award number (e.g., H158A20021–95). See BLOCK 4 on your last Notification of Grant Award.
- 3. Project title. This should be identical to the title of the approved application.
- 4. Contact person—name and title. Please provide the name of the project director or other individual who is most familiar with the content of the performance report.
- 5. Project telephone number and FAX number.
 - 6. E-Mail address.
- 7. Performance reporting period. This is the time-frame that is requested in Parts III and IV of the performance report for information on project status and supplementary information/changes.
- a. For projects that are operating in their first budget period, this period covers the start of the project through 30 days before the due date of this report.
- b. For projects that are operating in interim budget periods, and that submitted a non-competing continuation grant application in the prior period, this period covers the date of submission of that application (unless the Department establishes another beginning date) through 30 days before the due date of this report.
- c. For all other projects that are operating in interim budget periods, this period covers the end of the reporting period for the annual performance report that the recipient submitted to receive its previous continuation award, through 30 days before the due date of this report.
- 8. Current budget period. See Block 5 of your last Notification of Grant Award.

The cover sheet also must contain the name, title and signature of the authorized representative of the grantee.

II. Project Summary

(One or two paragraphs.)

III. Project Status*

Report your progress in accomplishing the objectives of the project. In doing so, for each project objective, describe the project activities, accomplishments and outcomes since the submission of the last performance report, or, if you are currently in the

first budget period, since the start of the project. Also reference the page numbers and sections of the approved application that address the planned activities or anticipated accomplishments and outcomes. Where it is possible to do so, information on current activities, accomplishments and outcomes should be quantified.

If a planned objective was not attained, or a planned activity was not conducted as scheduled, explain why, what steps are being taken to address the problem, and the schedule for doing so

If performance indicators for evaluating your project have been established for your program, or were approved as part of a project evaluation plan contained in your project application, provide information on your project's performance using those indicators.

IV. Supplemental Information/Changes*

As a result of actual performance, recipients often gain additional information (beyond that provided in their initial applications) that affects their future grant activities and/or strategies for accomplishing their approved scope of work. If this is the case for your project, please provide a summary of this information (quantified, where possible) and any change in project strategies, activities, or project outcomes.

V. Budget Report*

1. For the current budget period, provide for each approved budget category the total amount of project funds obligated as of 30 days before the due date of the performance report. (See Blocks 9.A—L of the reporting form.) For projects that require recipients to provide matching funds or other nonfederal resources, also provide the total of all non-federal contributions as of 30 days before the due date of the performance report. (See Block 10 of the reporting form.)

2. Indicate whether the project expects to have any unobligated grant funds at the end of the current budget period. (See Block 11 of the reporting

form.)

Remember: Recipients must request authorization to carry over funds that were unobligated in one budget period for use in the following budget period. If unobligated funds are needed to complete activities that were approved for the current budget period, section 75.253 of EDGAR permits the Secretary to add the amount of these funds to funds that will be awarded through a continuation award for use in the following budget period. Conversely, if

any unobligated funds are NOT needed to complete activities that were approved for the current budget period, section 75.253 permits the Secretary to deduct the amount of these unobligated funds from the amount of funds that will be awarded for use in the following budget period.

*Note for Parts III, IV, and V: Most projects submit with their applications a single budget form, and have a single approved budget, for each budget period. However, if your project has multiple components, and was required to submit for approval a separate budget form for each component, please ensure that the information that you provide in Parts III, IV, and V of the performance report reflects activities or expenditures for each of these components.

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