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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Class Tuition Waiver

AGENCY: Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On August 3, 2009, the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Plans), Performing the Duties of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), signed a memorandum to the Director, Department of Defense Education Activity, designating for enrollment on a space-available, tuition-free basis, classes of dependents of military and diplomatic personnel whose nations participated in the Partnership for Peace (PfP) Program in Brussels and Mons, Belgium; Naples, Italy; London, United Kingdom; Brunssum, the Netherlands; and Oberammergau, Germany, prior to gaining status as full members of NATO during the period between January 2009 and January 2014. Subject to the availability of space, this waiver may be applied for the duration of the sponsor's tour not to exceed a total of three years for each eligible dependent. This class waiver is effective immediately.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Mike Lynch, 4040 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203-1635.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Please note that the availability of space in the Defense Dependents' Education System varies from year to year and is not guaranteed. Commanders should ensure that enrollments are timely and do not disrupt the dependent's or school's educational program.

Dated: September 23, 2009.

Patricia L. Toppings,

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,
Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA-2009-0028]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army, (OAA-RPA), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Department of the Army announces the extension of a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. *Comments are invited on:* (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by November 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1160.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, Institute for Water Resources, 7701 Telegraph Road, (CEIWR-MD), Alexandria, Virginia 22315-3868. ATTN: (Stuart A. Davis), or call Department of the Army Reports Clearance Officer at (703) 428-6440.

Title and OMB Number: Corps of Engineers Civil Works Questionnaire—Generic Clearance; OMB Control Number 0710-0001.

Needs and Uses: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineer utilizes the data collected from the questionnaire items for planning data to formulate and evaluate alternative water resources development plans, to determine the

effectiveness and evaluate the impacts of Corps projects, and in the case of the flood damage mitigation, to obtain information on flood damage incurred, whether or not a project is being considered or exists. All survey questionnaires are administered either by face-to-face, mail, or telephone methods. Public surveys are used to gather data for planning and operating Corps projects and facilities and to determine public preferences and satisfaction.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; State, local or tribal government.

Annual Burden Hours: 21,642.

Number of Respondents: 185,500.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 7 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

All survey questionnaires are carefully selected to minimize undue burden on the public and are subject to internal controls and pre-testing before actual use. Duplication is avoided by close coordination with state and local agencies as well as other Federal agencies and, whenever possible, participation in joint data collection efforts. Most of the Corps of Engineers civil works survey information is collected for very unique circumstances, such as visitor information at Corps recreation areas or flood damage information related to the Corps evaluation procedures. Much of this information is required to be very current and must be updated every one to two years.

Dated: September 21, 2009.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 30, 2009.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

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.

Dated: September 23, 2009.

Angela C. Arrington,
Director, Information Collection Clearance
Division, Regulatory Information
Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Report on IDEA part B
Maintenance of Effort Reduction and
Coordinated Early Intervening Services.
Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal
Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour
Burden:*

Responses: 60.

Burden Hours: 1,032,480.

Abstract: This package provides instructions and forms necessary for States to report the provisions of coordinated early intervening services (CEIS) and maintenance of effort (MOE) reduction in IDEA. The form satisfies reporting requirements and is used by OSEP to monitor SEAs and for Congressional reporting.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4146. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Assessment Governing Board; Public Hearings

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Education,
National Assessment Governing Board.

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The National Assessment Governing Board is announcing a public hearing on November 9, 2009 to obtain comment on expert panel recommendations on uniform national rules for testing of Students with Disabilities (SD) and English Language Learners (ELL) on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP).

Public and private parties and organizations are invited to present written and/or oral testimony. The hearing will be held in the Phoenix Park Hotel, 520 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. EST.

This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming public hearing of the National Assessment Governing Board. This notice also describes the functions of

the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify members of the general public of their opportunity to provide comment. Individuals who will need special accommodations in order to attend the hearing (such as interpreting services, assistive listening devices, materials in alternative format) should notify Munira Mwalimu at 202-357-6938 or at Munira.Mwalimu@ed.gov no later than November 4, 2009. We will attempt to meet requests after this date, but cannot guarantee availability of the requested accommodation. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

DATES: November 9, 2009.

Location: Phoenix Park Hotel, 520 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001. The hotel may be reached via the Union Station Metro.

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. EST.

Background

Under Public Law 107-279, the National Assessment Governing Board (NAGB) is responsible for determining the content and methodology of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The assessment is required to provide a fair and accurate measurement of student academic achievement through a random sampling process that produces representative data for the nation, the States, and other participating jurisdictions.

Despite changes in policy during the past decade, variations in inclusion and accommodation rates continue for students with disabilities and English language learners among States and urban districts participating in the National Assessment. These differences—both between jurisdictions and over time—continue to prompt concern about the fairness and comparability of NAEP results.

The Governing Board has established an Ad Hoc Committee of Board members to conduct a comprehensive examination of NAEP testing and reporting of these two student groups. The Committee appointed two technical advisory panels to recommend uniform national rules for NAEP testing of SD and ELL students to better assure that NAEP samples are fully representative and produce comparable results. These panels reported to the Board at its meeting on August 6 and 7, 2009. The Board plans to consult widely before deciding whether or not to adopt the expert panel recommendations.

The reports and recommendations being considered are available under