

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 18, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Lauren Wittenberg, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Lauren.Wittenberg@omb.eop.gov.

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 Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, 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.

Dated: January 13, 2003.

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Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

**Office of Special Education and
Rehabilitative Services**

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Annual Protection & Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR) Program Performance Report (SC).

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions (primary). State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 57.

Burden Hours: 342.

Abstract: Form RSA-509 will be used to analyze and evaluate the Protection & Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR) Program administered by eligible systems in states. These systems provide services to eligible individuals with disabilities to protect their legal and human rights.

Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or directed to her e-mail address Vivian.Reese@ed.gov. Requests may also be faxed to (202) 708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at his e-mail address Joe.Schubart@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

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**Federal Student Aid; Federal Perkins
Loan, Federal Work-Study, and Federal
Supplemental Educational Opportunity
Grant Programs**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of the closing date for institutions to file an Application for Approval to Participate in Federal Student Financial Aid Programs for the 2003-2004 award year; to participate in the Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study, and Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant programs (known collectively as the campus-based programs).

SUMMARY: We invite currently non-participating institutions of higher education who filed a Fiscal Operations Report and Application to Participate (FISAP) (ED Form 646-1), to submit to

the U.S. Department of Education (Department) an Application for Approval to participate in Federal Student Financial Aid Programs. In order to participate in one or more of the campus-based programs for the 2003-2004 award year, non-participating institutions must submit an Application for Approval to Participate in Federal Student Financial Aid Programs and all required supporting documents for an eligibility and certification determination by the Department.

The campus-based programs are authorized by title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). The 2003-2004 award year is July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2004.

CLOSING DATE: To participate in the campus-based programs in the 2003-2004 award year, a currently non-participating institution must electronically submit its Application for Approval to Participate in Federal Student Financial Aid Programs on or before February 17, 2003. (ED Form E40-34P, OMB# 1845-0012).

ADDRESSES: Applications. The Department no longer accepts paper applications in these programs. An eligible institution must submit an electronic application to Case Management and Oversight through the ED website: www.eligcert.ed.gov.

Required Supporting Documents. The applicant must submit required supporting documents by mail, addressed to the U.S. Department of Education, Case Management and Oversight, Data Management and Analysis, Document Receipt and Control Center, 830 First Street, NE., Room 7111, Washington, DC 20002-5402.

In the case of required supporting documents, the applicant must show proof of mailing consisting of one of the following: (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; or (4) any other proof of mailing acceptable to us.

If documents are sent through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing: (1) A private metered postmark, or (2) a mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

The applicant should note that 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. An applicant is encouraged to use