



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

Higher Education Programs

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Dear McNair Program Participants:

As you know, the McNair Program provides Federal financial assistance in the form of discretionary grants to institutions of higher education and combinations of those institutions for the purpose of providing academic and other support services to prepare low-income, first-generation college students for doctoral study. As you also know, McNair Program grantees are required to submit performance reports to collect consistent project data from all grantees.

The Department uses the information collected to make decisions on whether to issue non-competing continuation grants to funded grantees under the McNair Program. In addition, the information contained in the reports is used to assess prior experience points during the competitive cycle of the program.

The TRIO Programs Annual Performance Report (APR) System collects individual student records on individuals served by the Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program. The individual student records include personally identifiable information such as social security number (SSN), name, date of birth, as well as information on each individual's eligibility for services and the student's academic progress.

Privacy Act Statement

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law No. 93-579, 5 U.S.C. 552a), you are hereby notified that the Department of Education is authorized to collect information to implement the Upward Bound [Student Support Services; Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement] program under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (Publ. Law 102-325, Sec. 402D). In accordance with this authority, the Department receives and maintains personal information on participants in the Upward Bound [Student Support Services: McNair] program. The principal purpose for collecting this information is to administer the program, including tracking and evaluating participant progress. Providing the information on this form, including a social security number (SSN) is voluntary; failure to disclose a SSN will not result in the denial of any right, benefit or privilege to which the participant is entitled. The information that is collected on this form will be retained in the program files and may be released to other Department officials in the performance of their official duties.

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sources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. Response to this collection of information is required to maintain benefits. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to the U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651. If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission, write directly to: Federal TRIO Programs, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, N.W., 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20006-8510.

Sincerely,

Federal TRIO Programs
U.S. Department of Education