


PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT CHANGE WORKSHEET

ED School Climate Surveys (EDSCLS) National Benchmark Study 2017 Partial Cancellation
Change Request 83C

Agency/Subagency National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education	OMB Control Number 1850-0923 v.7	
Enter only items that change		
	Current Record	New Record
Agency form number(s)	NA	NA
Annual reporting and record keeping hour burden		
Number of respondent	327,953	14,093
Total annual responses	329,453	15,593
% responses collected electronically	100%	100%
Total annual hours	241,331	10,967
Difference	- 230,364	
Explanation of difference	NCES is cancelling most of the planned data collection due to low school participation rates.	
Program change	- 230,364	
Adjustment	0	
Annual reporting and record keeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars)		
Total annualized capital/startup costs	NA	NA
Total annual costs (O&M)	NA	NA
Total annualized cost requested	NA	NA
Difference	NA	
Explanation of difference		
Program change	NA	
Adjustment	NA	
Other change**		
<p>The ED School Climate Surveys (EDSCLS) are a suite of survey instruments being developed for schools, districts, and states by the U.S. Department of Education's (ED) National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). This national effort extends current activities that measure school climate, including the state-level efforts of the Safe and Supportive Schools (S3) grantees, which were awarded funds in 2010 by the ED's Office of Safe and Healthy Students (OSHS) to improve school climate. Through the EDSCLS, schools nationwide will have access to survey instruments and a survey platform that will allow for the collection and reporting of school climate data across stakeholders at the local level. The surveys can be used to produce school-, district-, and state-level scores on various indicators of school climate from the perspectives of students, teachers, noninstructional school staff and principals, and parents and guardians. The 2017 national EDSCLS benchmark study data collection from a nationally representative sample of schools across the United States to create a national comparison point for users of EDSCLS was last approved in May 2016 (OMB# 1850-0923 v.4) with revisions to scope and timeline approved in July and September 2016 (OMB# 1850-0923 v.5-6). Data were to be collected from a nationally representative sample of 500 schools serving students in grades 5-12 to produce national school climate scores on the various topics covered by EDSCLS. The national statistics were to be released in the updated EDSCLS platform to provide a basis for comparison between data collected by schools and school systems and the national school climate. Because, to date the study's projected overall unweighted participation rate is far below the 50% response rate recommended by NCES Statistical Standards, NCES is requesting to cancel any further recruitment and the EDSCLS National Benchmark Study 2017 as soon as possible. NCES will still offer to conduct the EDSCLS survey in the schools that opted to participate in a universe sample of all of their school's eligible respondents.</p>		
Signature of Senior Official or designee:	Date:	For OIRA Use
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