ED*Facts* Data Collection School Years 2019-20, 2020-21, and 2021-22 (with 2018-19 continuation)

Supporting Statement Part B

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# Section B. Description of Statistical Methodology

## B.1. Respondent Universe

The primary universe of interest for ED*Facts* consists of the State Education Agencies, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Department of Defense Education Agency, Bureau of Indian Education, and the outlying areas and freely associated states. In total there are 61 respondents.

## B.2. Statistical Methodology

There is no sampling or estimation done for the EDFacts collection.

## B.3. Methods to Maximize Response Rates

ED*Facts* response rates for state education agencies are consistently 100%.

## B.4. Tests of Procedures and Methods

There are no statistical procedures or methods utilized by ED*Facts*.

## B.5. Reviewing Individuals

Many staff members in the U.S. Department of Education reviewed the package in whole or in part. Two groups received briefings about the OMB package changes: the ED*Facts* Governance Board (EDGB) and ED’s Data Strategy Team (DST). Those briefings occurred in October 2018. Stewarding offices are responsible for reviewing all data groups and reporting categories for data associated with a grant program. Stewards also met with program office attorneys to ensure legal sufficiency of the data reporting requirements. Non-steward members of EDGB and DST received briefings and had the opportunity for internal comment prior to submission of the package. NCES collected documentation from each data steward to confirm steward sign-off of the reporting requirements. NCES ED*Facts* Program Office Liaisons assisted in reviewing revisions to the package documentation. NCES staff in the Elementary and Secondary Branch were responsible for collating responses, advising stewards and non-stewards about the technical issues associated with new and revised requirements, providing data use information to data stewards prior to retirement of data elements, and accurately representing all data reporting requirements in the package.