

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT CHANGE WORKSHEET

School Pulse Panel Preliminary Activities Change Request (OMB# 1850-0963 v.2)

Agency/Subagency U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences		OMB Control Number 1850-0963 v.2	
Current Record		New Record	
Agency form number(s)	NA		NA
Annual reporting and record keeping hour burden			
Number of respondent	3,400		3,400
Total annual responses	4,120		4,120
Percent of these responses collected electronically	100%		100%
Total annual hours	3,086		3,086
Difference			0
Explanation of difference			NA
Program change			
Adjustment			
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 School Pulse Panel is a new study conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), part of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES), within the United States Department of Education, to collect extensive data on issues concerning the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students and staff in U.S. public primary, middle, high, and combined-grade schools. The survey will ask school district staff and sampled school principals about topics such as instructional mode offered; enrollment counts of subgroups of students using various instructional modes; learning loss mitigation strategies; safe and healthy school mitigation strategies; special education services; use of technology; use of federal relief funds; and information on staffing. Because this data collection is extremely high priority and time sensitive, it will undergo Emergency Clearance. It will not go through a 60-day public comment period and will only undergo a 30-day public comment period after clearance has been granted. The administration of the School Pulse Panel study is in direct response to President Biden's Executive Order 14000: Supporting the Reopening and Continuing Operation of Schools and Early Childhood Education Providers. It will be one of the nation's few sources of reliable data on a wealth of information focused on school reopening efforts, virus spread mitigation strategies, services offered for students and staff, and technology use, as reported by school district staff and principals in U.S. public schools. About 1200 public elementary, middle, high, and combined-grade schools will be selected to participate in a panel where school and district staff will be asked to provide requested data monthly during the 2021-22 school years. This approach provides the ability to collect detailed information on various topics while also assessing changes in reopening efforts over time. Given the high demand for data collection during this time, the content of the survey may change on a quarterly basis. This change request adds an additional contact letter that can be used in the recruitment process during the summer of 2021, as well as appropriate follow-up reminder emails. These new materials are structured to have headings and an immediate call to action. We expect to use these new materials in place of the already approved materials as the overall flow of the information has improved and is easier to read.</p>			
Signature of Senior Official or designee:	Date:	For OIRA Use	
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