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School Survey on Crime and Safety (SSOCS) 2022 Communication Change Request

Agency/Subagency U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences		OMB Control Number 1850-0761 v.22	
Current Record		New Record	
Agency form number(s)	NA		NA
Annual reporting and record keeping hour burden			
Number of respondent	8,743		8,743
Total annual responses	11,623		11,623
Percent of these responses collected electronically	50%		50%
Total annual hours	4,907		4,907
Difference			
Explanation of difference			
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
Otherchange**			
<p>The School Survey on Crime and Safety (SSOCS) is a nationally representative survey of elementary and secondary school principals that serves as the primary source of school-level data on crime and safety in public schools, and was conducted in 2000, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2016, 2018, and 2020 (OMB# 1850-0761). Four years separated the first two collections of SSOCS to allow for sufficient time to study the results of the first survey and to allow for necessary redesign work; the next three collections were conducted at 2-year intervals. Due to a reorganization of the sponsoring agency (the Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools) and funding issues, the 2012 administration of SSOCS, although approved by OMB, was not fielded. With new funding available through the National Institute of Justice (NIJ), SSOCS was conducted again in the spring of the 2015–16 school year. With continued dedicated funding, SSOCS has resumed collection on a biennial basis, with collections during the spring of the 2017–18 and the 2019–20 school years, and the next planned collection during the spring of the 2021–22 school year. SSOCS is a survey of public schools covering the topic of school crime and violence and is designed to produce nationally representative data on public schools. Historically, it has been conducted by mail, with telephone and e-mail follow-up; however, as an experiment, an Internet version was fielded during the SSOCS:2018 administration. For SSOCS:2020, the Internet version was initially offered to all respondents, with the paper version sent via mail as a follow-up, and the same methodology will be used for SSOCS:2022. The respondent is the school principal, or a member of the school staff designated by the principal as the person “the most knowledgeable about school crime and policies to provide a safe environment.” The 2022 survey is being funded by the U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Safe and Supportive Schools (previously known as the Office of Safe and Healthy Students) and conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES), within the U.S. Department of Education. As with prior SSOCS collections, NCES has entered into an interagency agreement with the Census Bureau to administer the 2022 collection. This submission provides updated versions of the SSOCS 2022 communication materials and focuses on two changes: (a) the addition of an experiment to look at the effect of the timing of communication, (b) changes to communication materials, and (c) small changes to the instrument based on cognitive testing. These changes result in no changes to participant burden or cost to the federal government.</p>			
Signature of Senior Official or designee:	Date:	For OIRA Use	
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