DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Innovation and Improvement

Notice Reopening the Advanced Placement (AP) Test Fee Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 Competition

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SUMMARY: On November 9, 2004, we published in the Federal Register (69 FR 65028) a notice inviting applications for the AP Test Fee FY 2005 competition. The original notice for this FY 2005 competition established a December 13, 2004 deadline date for eligible applicants to apply for funding under this program.

In order to afford as many eligible applicants as possible an opportunity to receive funding under this program, we are reopening the AP Test Fee FY 2005 competition. The new application deadline date for the competition is January 24, 2005.

DATES: Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: January 24, 2005 (by 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, if transmitted electronically or by hand-delivery).

Note: Applications for grants under the AP Test Fee program must be submitted electronically using the Electronic Grant Application System (e-Application) available through the Department's e-Grants system, unless a waiver is granted. For information (including dates and times) about how to submit your application electronically or to request a waiver of the electronic submission requirement, please refer to Section IV. 6. Other Submission Requirements in the November 9, 2004 notice (69 FR 65029–65030).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Madeline E. Baggett, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 4W210, Washington, DC 20202–5943. Telephone: (202) 260–2502 or by e-mail: madeline.baggett@ed.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any eligible applicant may apply for funding under this program by the deadline in this notice. Eligible applicants that submitted their applications for the AP Test Fee FY 2005 competition to the Department prior to the competition's original deadline date of December 13, 2004 are not required to re-submit their

applications or re-apply in order to be considered for FY 2005 awards under this program. We encourage eligible applicants to submit their applications as soon as possible to avoid any problems with filing electronic applications on the last day. The deadline for submission of applications will not be extended any further.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Program

AGENCY: Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education. **ACTION:** Notice of proposed priority, requirements, and definitions.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Deputy Secretary for Innovation and Improvement proposes a priority, requirements, and definitions under the Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination program. We may use this priority and these requirements and definitions for competitions in fiscal year (FY) 2005 and later years. We take this action to focus Federal financial assistance on an identified national need for the enhancement, expansion, documentation, evaluation, and dissemination of innovative, cohesive models that have demonstrated that they effectively: (1) Integrate standards-based arts education into the core elementary and middle school curricula; (2) strengthen standardsbased arts instruction in these grades;

and (3) improve elementary and middle schools students' academic performance, including their skills in creating, performing, and responding to the arts. We intend the priority, requirements, and definitions to increase the amount of information on effective models for arts education that is available nationally and to integrate the arts with standards-based education programs.

DATES: We must receive your comments on or before February 14, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments about the proposed priority, requirements, and definitions to Diane Austin, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 4W214, Washington, DC 20202–5943. If you prefer to send your comments through the Internet, use the following address: comments@ed.gov.

You must include the term "artsdemo" in the subject line of your electronic message.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Diane Austin. Telephone: (202) 260–1280 or via Internet: Diane. Austin@ed.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Invitation To Comment

We invite you to submit comments regarding the proposed priority, requirements, and definitions in this notice. To ensure that your comments have maximum effect in developing the notice of final priority, requirements, and definitions, we urge you to identify clearly the specific proposed priority, requirement or definition that each comment addresses.

We invite you to assist us in complying with the specific requirements of Executive Order 12866 and its overall requirement of reducing regulatory burden that might result from the proposed priority, requirements, and definitions. Please let us know of any further opportunities we should take to reduce potential costs or increase potential benefits while preserving the effective and efficient administration of the program.

During and after the comment period, you may inspect all public comments about the proposed priority,