

DATES: A meeting of the Judicial Proceedings Panel will be held on Friday, January 6, 2017. The public session will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:45 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Holiday Inn Arlington at Ballston, Grand Ballroom, 4610 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Julie Carson, Judicial Proceedings Panel, One Liberty Center, Suite 150, 875 N. Randolph Street, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Email: whs.pentagon.em.mbx.judicial-panel@mail.mil. Phone: (703) 693-3849. Web site: <http://jpp.whs.mil>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This public meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: In section 576(a)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 (Pub. L. 112-239), as amended, Congress tasked the Judicial Proceedings Panel to conduct an independent review and assessment of judicial proceedings conducted under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) involving adult sexual assault and related offenses since the amendments made to the UCMJ by section 541 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Pub. L. 112-81; 125 Stat. 1404), for the purpose of developing recommendations for improvements to such proceedings. At this meeting, the Panel will receive testimony on current military justice practices related to Military Rules of Evidence 412 and 513 from former military trial judges and current military justice practitioners. The Panel will also receive a presentation from JPP Subcommittee members on the policy of withholding initial disposition authority in sexual assault cases to the O-6 level and on judge advocate military justice training.

Agenda:

8:30 a.m.–9:00 a.m. Administrative Work (41 CFR 102-3.160, not subject to notice & open meeting requirements)
 9:00 a.m.–9:15 a.m. Welcome and Introduction
 —Designated Federal Official Opens Meeting
 —Remarks of the Chair
 9:15 a.m.–10:45 a.m. Perspectives of Former Military Trial Judges on M.R.E. 412 and M.R.E. 513 Evidence at Article 32 Hearings and Courts-Martial

—Former Military Trial Judges
 10:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Perspectives of Defense Counsel on M.R.E. 412 and M.R.E. 513 Evidence at Article 32 Hearings and Courts-Martial
 —Service Defense Counsel
 12:15 p.m.–1:15 p.m. Lunch
 1:15 p.m.–2:45 p.m. Perspectives of Trial Counsel on M.R.E. 412 and M.R.E. 513 Evidence at Article 32 Hearings and Courts-Martial
 —Service Trial Counsel
 2:45 p.m.–4:00 p.m. Perspectives of Special Victims' Counsel/Victims' Legal Counsel on M.R.E. 412 and M.R.E. 513 Evidence at Article 32 Hearings and Courts-Martial
 —Service Special Victims' Counsel and Victims' Legal Counsel
 4:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Presentation by JPP Subcommittee Members on Withholding Initial Disposition Authority in Sexual Assault Cases and Service Attorney Training
 —JPP Subcommittee Members
 4:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m. Public Comment
 4:45 p.m. Meeting Adjourned
Availability of Materials for the Meeting: A copy of the January 6, 2017 public meeting agenda and any updates or changes to the agenda, including the location and individual speakers not identified at the time of this notice, as well as other materials provided to Panel members for use at the public meeting, may be obtained at the meeting or from the Panel's Web site at <http://jpp.whs.mil>.

Public's Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is limited and is on a first-come basis. In the event the Office of Personnel Management closes the government due to inclement weather or any other reason, please consult the Web site for any changes to public meeting dates or time.

Special Accommodations: Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the public meeting should contact the Judicial Proceedings Panel at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.judicial-panel@mail.mil at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Procedures for Providing Public Comments: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments to the Panel about its mission and topics pertaining to this public session. Written comments must be received by the JPP at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting date so that they may be made available to the Judicial

Proceedings Panel for their consideration prior to the meeting. Written comments should be submitted via email to the Judicial Proceedings Panel at whs.pentagon.em.mbx.judicial-panel@mail.mil in the following formats: Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word. Please note that since the Judicial Proceedings Panel operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all written comments will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection. If members of the public are interested in making an oral statement pertaining to the agenda for the public meeting, a written statement must be submitted as above along with a request to provide an oral statement. After reviewing the written comments and the oral statement, the Chairperson and the Designated Federal Official will determine who will be permitted to make an oral presentation of their issue during the public comment portion of this meeting. This determination is at the sole discretion of the Chairperson and Designated Federal Official, will depend on the time available and relevance to the Panel's activities for that meeting, and will be on a first-come basis. When approved in advance, oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted from 4:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. on January 6, 2017 in front of the Panel members.

Committee's Designated Federal Official: The Panel's Designated Federal Official is Ms. Maria Fried, Department of Defense, Office of the General Counsel, 1600 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B747, Washington, DC 20301-1600.

Dated: December 9, 2016.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2016-ICCD-0111]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NPEFS 2016-2018: Common Core of Data (CCD) National Public Education Financial Survey

AGENCY: National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is

proposing a revision of an existing information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 13, 2017.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED–2016–ICCD–0111. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 2E–347, Washington, DC 20202–4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact NCES Information Collections at NCES.Information.Collections@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in

response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: NPEFS 2016–2018: Common Core of Data (CCD) National Public Education Financial Survey.

OMB Control Number: 1850–0067.

Type of Review: A revision of an existing information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 56.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 5,334.

Abstract: The National Public Education Financial Survey (NPEFS) is an annual collection of state-level finance data that has been included in the NCES Common Core of Data (CCD) since FY 1982 (school year 1981–82). NPEFS provides function expenditures by salaries, benefits, purchased services, and supplies, and includes federal, state, and local revenues by source. The NPEFS collection includes data on all state-run schools from the 50 states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. NPEFS data are used for a wide variety of purposes, including to calculate federal program allocations such as states' "average per-pupil expenditure" (SPPE) for elementary and secondary education, certain formula grant programs (e.g., Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) as amended, Impact Aid, and Indian Education programs). Furthermore, other federal programs, such as the Educational Technology State Grants program (Title II Part D of the ESEA), the Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program under Title VII of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, and the Teacher Quality State Grants program (Title II Part A of the ESEA) make use of SPPE data indirectly because their formulas are based, in whole or in part, on State Title I Part A allocations. On December 10, 2015, an amendment to ESEA, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), was signed into law. This request is to add two new items to the NPEFS data collection (to report current expenditures disaggregated by source of funds and to align with the State and LEA report cards required by ESSA) and to conduct the annual NPEFS collection of state-level finance data for FY 2016–2018.

Dated: December 8, 2016.

Kate Mullan,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Applications for New Awards; Opening Doors, Expanding Opportunities

AGENCY: Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

Overview Information:

Opening Doors, Expanding Opportunities

Notice inviting applications for new awards using fiscal year (FY) 2016 funds.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.377C.

DATES:

Applications Available: December 14, 2016.

Date of Pre-Application Webinar:

January 5, 2017.

Deadline for Notice of Intent to Apply (optional): January 13, 2017.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: February 13, 2017.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: April 13, 2017.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program

In an effort to support the implementation of effective school improvement strategies, the U.S. Department of Education (Department) is using a portion of its FY 2016 School Improvement Grants (SIG) national activities funds to initiate the FY 2017 grant competition for the Opening Doors, Expanding Opportunities program. This program supports Local Educational Agencies (LEAs)¹ and their communities in preparing to implement innovative, effective, ambitious, comprehensive, and locally driven strategies to increase socioeconomic diversity in schools and LEAs as a means to improve the achievement of students in the lowest-performing schools.² Through the Opening Doors,

¹ Defined terms are used throughout the notice and are indicated by capitalization.

² Note that applicants may address various types of diversity. If racial or ethnic diversity is considered it should be one of many factors in accordance with the "Guidance on the Voluntary Use of Race to Achieve Diversity and Avoid Racial