DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2020-SCC-0183]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Application for the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program

AGENCY: Office of Communication and Outreach (OCO), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing an extension of a currently approved information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 30th day after publication of this notice].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this information collection request by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. Comments may also be sent to ICDocketmgr@ed.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Simone Olson, 202-205-8719.

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: Application for the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program

OMB Control Number: 1860-0504

Type of Review: An extension of a currently approved information collection

Respondents / Affected Public: Individuals and Households

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 3,300

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 52,800

Abstract: The United States Presidential Scholars Program is a national recognition
program to honor outstanding graduating high school seniors. Candidates are invited to
apply based on academic achievements on the SAT or ACT assessments, through
nomination from Chief State School Officers, other recognition program partner
organizations, on artistic merits based on participation in a national talent program and
achievement in career and technical education programs. This program was established
by Presidential Executive Orders 11155, 12158 and 13697.

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