

- Group Application Certification.
- Foreign Language Data Form.
- Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (Standard Form 424B) (Rev. 7–97).
- Certifications regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (ED 80–0013, 12/98) and instructions.
- Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion: Lower Tier Covered Transactions (ED 80–0014, 9/90) and instructions.
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Standard Form LLL (Rev. 7–97)) and instructions.
- Notice to All Applicants concerning the Department of Education's General Education Provisions Act (GEPA).
- Survey on Ensuring Equal Opportunity for Applicants.
- Program Non-Regulatory Guidance.

You may submit information on a photocopy of the application forms, the assurances, and the certifications. However, you must submit ONE original signed application, including ink signatures on all forms and assurances and THREE copies of the application. Please mark each application as original or copy. We will not award a grant unless we have received a completed application form.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiocassette, or computer diskette) on request to either of the program contact persons listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternative format the standard forms included in this application notice.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: East of the Mississippi River—Rebecca Richey, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 5617, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202–6510. Telephone: (202) 205–9717 or via Internet: rebecca.richey@ed.gov.

West of the Mississippi River—Iztzeth Testa-Salcedo, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 5629, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202–6510. Telephone: (202) 205–8726 or via Internet: itzeth.testa-salcedo@ed.gov.

Or, Sharon Manassa, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 5647, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202–6510. Telephone: (202) 205–8731 or via Internet: sharon.manassa@ed.gov.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

Instructions for Transmitting Applications

If you want to apply for a grant and be considered for funding, you must meet the following deadline requirements:

(a) *If You Send Your Application by Mail.*

You must mail the original and two copies on or before the deadline date. Mail your application to: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA# (84.293B), 7th and D Streets, SW., Room 3633, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202–4725.

You must show one of the following as proof of mailing:

- (1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark.
- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.
- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.
- (4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary.

If you mail an application through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

- (1) A private metered postmark.
- (2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

Note: The Department encourages you to consider using an alternative delivery method (for example, a commercial carrier, such as Federal Express or United Parcel Service; U.S. Postal Service Express Mail; or a courier service) to transmit your application for this competition. If you use an alternative delivery method, please obtain the appropriate proof of mailing under this section (a) “If You Send Your Application by

Mail,” then follow the instructions in section (b) “If You Deliver Your Application by Hand.”

(b) *If You Deliver Your Application by Hand*

You or your courier must hand deliver the original and two copies by 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time) on or before the deadline date. Deliver your application to: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA #293B), 7th and D Streets, SW., Room 3633, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202–4725.

The Application Control Center accepts application deliveries daily between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time), except Saturdays, Sundays and Federal holidays. The Center accepts application deliveries through the D Street entrance only. A person delivering an application must show identification to enter the building.

Notes

(1) The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, you should check with your local post office.

(2) If you send your application by mail or if you or your courier delivers it by hand, the Application Control Center will mail a Grant Application Receipt Acknowledgment to you. If you do not receive the notification of application receipt within 15 days from the date of mailing the application, you should call the U. S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 708–9493.

(3) If your application is late, we will notify you that we will not consider the application.

(4) You must indicate on the envelope and—if not provided by the Department—in Item 4 of the Application for Federal Education Assistance (ED 424 (exp. 11/30/2004)) the CFDA number—and suffix letter, if any—of the competition under which you are submitting your application.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7259–7259b.

Dated: May 5, 2003.

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Appendix—Instructions for Estimated Public Reporting Burden

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1885–0540. Expiration date: 1/31/2006. We estimate the time required to complete this information collection to average 80 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and