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Type of Review: New.

Title: Feasibility and Conduct of an Impact Evaluation of Title I Supplemental Education Services.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Affected Public:

Individuals or household.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 16,667.

Burden Hours: 3,333.

Abstract: The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) requires districts with Title I schools that fall short of state standards for three years or more to offer supplemental educational services (SES) to their students from low-income families who attend these schools. SES are tutoring or other academic support services offered outside the regular school day by state-approved providers free of charge to eligible students. Parents can choose the specific SES provider from among a list approved to serve their area. The U.S. Department of Education has commissioned Mathematica Policy Research to evaluate the impact of SES on student achievement in up to nine school districts across the country. Findings of the study will not only inform national policy discussions about SES, but will also provide direct feedback to participating districts about the effectiveness of the SES offered to their students.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Federal Pell Grant, Academic Competitiveness Grant, National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent Grant, Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Federal Family Education Loan, and William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Programs

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of revision of the Federal Need Analysis Methodology for the 2009-2010 award year.

SUMMARY: The Secretary announces the annual updates to the tables that will be used in the statutory "Federal Need Analysis Methodology" to determine a student's expected family contribution (EFC) for award year 2009-2010 for the student financial aid programs authorized under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). An EFC is the amount a student and his or her family may reasonably be expected to contribute toward the student's postsecondary educational costs for purposes of determining financial aid eligibility. The Title IV programs include the Federal Pell Grant, Academic Competitiveness Grant, National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent Grant, Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Federal Family Education Loan, and William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Programs (Title IV, HEA Programs).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Part F of Title IV of the HEA specifies the criteria, data elements, calculations, and tables used in the Federal Need Analysis Methodology EFC calculations.

Section 478 of Part F of Title IV of the HEA requires the Secretary to adjust four of the tables—the Income Protection Allowance, the Adjusted Net Worth of a Business or Farm, the Education Savings and Asset Protection Allowance, and the Assessment Schedules and Rates—each award year to adjust for general price inflation. The changes are based, in general, upon increases in the Consumer Price Index.

For award year 2009-2010 the Secretary is charged with updating the income protection allowance for parents of dependent students, adjusted net worth of a business or farm, and the assessment schedules and rates to account for inflation that took place between December 2007 and December

2008. However, because the Secretary must publish these tables before December 2008, the increases in the tables must be based upon a percentage equal to the estimated percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for 2008. The Secretary estimates that the increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the period December 2007 through December 2008 will be 1.7 percent. Additionally, the College Cost Reduction and Access Act (CCRAA, Pub. L. 110-84) modified the updating procedure for the income protection allowance for dependent students and the income protection allowance tables for both independent students with dependents other than a spouse and independent students

without dependents other than a spouse. CCRAA established new 2009-2010 award year values for these income protection allowances. The updated tables are in sections 1, 2, and 4 of this notice.

The Secretary must also revise, for each award year, the education savings and asset protection allowances as provided for in section 478(d) of the HEA. The Education Savings and Asset Protection Allowance table for award year 2009-2010 has been updated in section 3 of this notice. Section 478(h) of the HEA also requires the Secretary to increase the amount specified for the Employment Expense Allowance, adjusted for inflation. This calculation is based upon increases in the Bureau of Labor Statistics budget of the marginal

costs for a two-worker family compared to a one-worker family for food away from home, apparel, transportation, and household furnishings and operations. The Employment Expense Allowance table for award year 2009-2010 has been updated in section 5 of this notice.

The HEA provides for the following annual updates:

1. *Income Protection Allowance.* This allowance is the amount of living expenses associated with the maintenance of an individual or family that may be offset against the family's income. It varies by family size. The income protection allowance for the dependent student is \$3,750. The income protection allowances for parents of dependent students for award year 2009-2010 are:

Family size	Parents of dependent students				
	Number in college				
	1	2	3	4	5
2	\$15,840	\$13,130	.....	.....	.....
3	19,730	17,030	\$14,320	.....	.....
4	24,370	21,660	18,960	\$16,250	.....
5	28,750	26,040	23,340	20,630	\$17,940
6	33,630	30,920	28,220	25,510	22,820

For each additional family member, add \$3,800.
For each additional college student, subtract \$2,700.

The income protection allowances for independent students with dependents

other than a spouse for award year 2009-10 are:

Family size	Independent students with dependents other than a spouse				
	Number in college				
	1	2	3	4	5
2	\$17,720	\$14,690	.....	.....	.....
3	22,060	19,050	\$16,020	.....	.....
4	27,250	24,220	21,210	\$18,170	.....
5	32,150	29,120	26,100	23,070	\$20,060
6	37,600	34,570	31,570	28,520	25,520

For each additional family member, add \$4,240.
For each additional college student, subtract \$3,020.

The income protection allowances for single independent students and independent students without dependents other than a spouse for award year 2009-10 are:

Marital status	Number in college	IPA
Single	1	\$7,000
Married	2	7,000
Married	1	11,220

2. *Adjusted Net Worth (NW) of a Business or Farm.* A portion of the full net value of a business or farm is excluded from the calculation of an expected contribution because—(1) the

income produced from these assets is already assessed in another part of the formula; and (2) the formula protects a portion of the value of the assets. The portion of these assets included in the contribution calculation is computed according to the following schedule. This schedule is used for parents of dependent students, independent students without dependents other than a spouse, and independent students with dependents other than a spouse.

If the net worth of a business or farm is—	Then the adjusted net worth is—
Less than \$1	\$0
\$1 to \$115,000	\$0 + 40% of NW
\$115,001 to \$340,000	\$46,000 + 50% of NW over \$115,000
\$340,001 to \$565,000	\$158,500 + 60% of NW over \$340,000

If the net worth of a business or farm is—	Then the adjusted net worth is—
\$565,001 or more	\$293,500 + 100% of NW over \$565,000

3. *Education Savings and Asset Protection Allowance.* This allowance protects a portion of net worth (assets less debts) from being considered available for postsecondary educational expenses. There are three asset protection allowance tables—one for parents of dependent students, one for independent students without dependents other than a spouse, and one for independent students with dependents other than a spouse.

DEPENDENT STUDENTS

If the age of the older parent is	And they are	
	Married	Single
	Then the education savings and asset protection allowance is—	
25 or less	0	0
26	2,900	1,200
27	5,800	2,400
28	8,700	3,600
29	11,600	4,800
30	14,500	6,000
31	17,400	7,200
32	20,300	8,400
33	23,100	9,500
34	26,000	10,700
35	28,900	11,900
36	31,800	13,100
37	34,700	14,300
38	37,600	15,500
39	40,500	16,700
40	43,400	17,900
41	44,200	18,200
42	45,300	18,600
43	46,400	19,100
44	47,600	19,500
45	48,700	19,900
46	49,900	20,400
47	51,200	20,900
48	52,400	21,400
49	53,700	21,900
50	55,300	22,400
51	56,700	22,900
52	58,000	23,500
53	59,800	24,000
54	61,200	24,600
55	63,000	25,300
56	64,900	25,900
57	66,400	26,500
58	68,300	27,200
59	70,300	27,900
60	72,300	28,700
61	74,400	29,500
62	76,600	30,300
63	79,100	31,100
64	81,300	32,000
65 or older	84,000	32,800

INDEPENDENT STUDENTS WITHOUT DEPENDENTS OTHER THAN A SPOUSE

If the age of the student is	And they are	
	Married	Single
	Then the education savings and asset protection allowance is—	
25 or less	0	0
26	2,900	1,200
27	5,800	2,400
28	8,700	3,600
29	11,600	4,800
30	14,500	6,000
31	17,400	7,200
32	20,300	8,400
33	23,100	9,500
34	26,000	10,700
35	28,900	11,900
36	31,800	13,100
37	34,700	14,300
38	37,600	15,500
39	40,500	16,700
40	43,400	17,900
41	44,200	18,200
42	45,300	18,600
43	46,400	19,100
44	47,600	19,500
45	48,700	19,900
46	49,900	20,400
47	51,200	20,900
48	52,400	21,400
49	53,700	21,900
50	55,300	22,400
51	56,700	22,900
52	58,000	23,500
53	59,800	24,000
54	61,200	24,600
55	63,000	25,300
56	64,900	25,900
57	66,400	26,500
58	68,300	27,200
59	70,300	27,900
60	72,300	28,700
61	74,400	29,500
62	76,600	30,300
63	79,100	31,100
64	81,300	32,000
65 or older	84,000	32,800

INDEPENDENT STUDENTS WITH DEPENDENTS OTHER THAN A SPOUSE

If the age of the student is	And they are	
	Married	Single
	Then the education savings and asset protection allowance is—	
25 or less	0	0
26	2,900	1,200
27	5,800	2,400
28	8,700	3,600

INDEPENDENT STUDENTS WITH DEPENDENTS OTHER THAN A SPOUSE—Continued

If the age of the student is	And they are	
	Married	Single
	Then the education savings and asset protection allowance is—	
29	11,600	4,800
30	14,500	6,000
31	17,400	7,200
32	20,300	8,400
33	23,100	9,500
34	26,000	10,700
35	28,900	11,900
36	31,800	13,100
37	34,700	14,300
38	37,600	15,500
39	40,500	16,700
40	43,400	17,900
41	44,200	18,200
42	45,300	18,600
43	46,400	19,100
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45	48,700	19,900
46	49,900	20,400
47	51,200	20,900
48	52,400	21,400
49	53,700	21,900
50	55,300	22,400
51	56,700	22,900
52	58,000	23,500
53	59,800	24,000
54	61,200	24,600
55	63,000	25,300
56	64,900	25,900
57	66,400	26,500
58	68,300	27,200
59	70,300	27,900
60	72,300	28,700
61	74,400	29,500
62	76,600	30,300
63	79,100	31,100
64	81,300	32,000
65 or older	84,000	32,800

4. *Assessment Schedules and Rates.*

Two schedules that are subject to updates, one for parents of dependent students and one for independent students with dependents other than a spouse, are used to determine the EFC toward educational expenses from family financial resources. For dependent students, the EFC is derived from an assessment of the parents' adjusted available income (AAI). For independent students with dependents other than a spouse, the EFC is derived from an assessment of the family's AAI. The AAI represents a measure of a family's financial strength, which

The parents' contribution for a dependent student is computed according to the following schedule:

If AAI is—	Then the contribution is—
Less than —\$3,409	—\$750
(\$3,409) to \$14,200	22% of AAI
\$14,201 to \$17,800	\$3,124 + 25% of AAI over \$14,200
\$17,801 to \$21,400	\$4,024 + 29% of AAI over \$17,800
\$21,401 to \$25,000	\$5,068 + 34% of AAI over \$21,400
\$25,001 to \$28,600	\$6,292 + 40% of AAI over \$25,000
\$28,601 or more	\$7,732 + 47% of AAI over \$28,600

The contribution for an independent student with dependents other than a spouse is computed according to the following schedule:

If AAI is—	Then the contribution is—
Less than —\$3,409	—\$750
(\$3,409) to \$14,200	22% of AAI
\$14,201 to \$17,800	\$3,124 + 25% of AAI over \$14,200
\$17,801 to \$21,400	\$4,024 + 29% of AAI over \$17,800
\$21,401 to \$25,000	\$5,068 + 34% of AAI over \$21,400
\$25,001 to \$28,600	\$6,292 + 40% of AAI over \$25,000
\$28,601 or more	\$7,732 + 47% of AAI over \$28,600

5. *Employment Expense Allowance.* This allowance for employment-related expenses, which is used for the parents of dependent students and for married independent students, recognizes additional expenses incurred by working spouses and single-parent households. The allowance is based upon the marginal differences in costs for a two-worker family compared to a one-worker family for food away from home, apparel, transportation, and household furnishings and operations.

The employment expense allowance for parents of dependent students, married independent students without dependents other than a spouse, and independent students with dependents other than a spouse is the lesser of \$3,500 or 35 percent of earned income.

6. *Allowance for State and Other Taxes.* The allowance for State and other taxes protects a portion of the parents' and students' income from being considered available for postsecondary educational expenses.

There are four categories for State and other taxes, one each for parents of dependent students, independent students with dependents other than a spouse, dependent students, and independent students without dependents other than a spouse. Section 478(g) of the HEA directs the Secretary to update the tables for State and other taxes after reviewing the Statistics of Income file data maintained by the Internal Revenue Service.

State	Parents of dependents and independent students with dependents other than a spouse		Dependents and independent students without dependents other than a spouse
	Under \$15,000 (%)	\$15,000 & up (%)	All (%)
Alabama	3	2	2
Alaska	2	1	0
Arizona	4	3	3
Arkansas	4	3	3
California	8	7	5
Colorado	5	4	3
Connecticut	8	7	4
Delaware	4	3	3
District of Columbia	7	6	6
Florida	3	2	1
Georgia	5	4	4
Hawaii	5	4	4
Idaho	5	4	3
Illinois	5	4	2
Indiana	4	3	3
Iowa	5	4	3
Kansas	5	4	3
Kentucky	5	4	4
Louisiana	3	2	2
Maine	6	5	4
Maryland	8	7	5
Massachusetts	7	6	4

State	Parents of dependents and independent dependents with dependents other than a spouse		Dependents and independent dependents without dependents other than a spouse
	Under \$15,000 (%)	\$15,000 & up (%)	All (%)
Michigan	5	4	3
Minnesota	6	5	4
Mississippi	3	2	2
Missouri	5	4	3
Montana	5	4	3
Nebraska	5	4	3
Nevada	3	2	1
New Hampshire	5	4	1
New Jersey	9	8	4
New Mexico	3	2	3
New York	9	8	6
North Carolina	6	5	4
North Dakota	3	2	1
Ohio	6	5	4
Oklahoma	4	3	3
Oregon	7	6	5
Pennsylvania	6	5	3
Rhode Island	7	6	4
South Carolina	5	4	3
South Dakota	2	1	1
Tennessee	2	1	1
Texas	3	2	1
Utah	5	4	4
Vermont	5	4	3
Virginia	6	5	4
Washington	4	3	1
West Virginia	3	2	2
Wisconsin	7	6	4
Wyoming	2	1	1
Other	3	2	2

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement To Evaluate Solar Energy Development, Develop and Implement Agency-Specific Programs, Conduct Public Scoping Meetings, Amend Relevant Agency Land Use Plans, and Provide Notice of Proposed Planning Criteria

AGENCIES: Department of Energy (DOE) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Department of the Interior (DOI).

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: In Executive Order 13212, *Actions to Expedite Energy-Related Projects*, the President ordered that executive departments and agencies

take appropriate actions “to expedite projects that will increase the production, transmission, or conservation of energy.” In addition, Title II, Section 211, of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-58) provides that the Secretary of the Interior (the Secretary) should, within 10 years of enactment of the Act, “* * * seek to have approved non-hydropower renewable energy projects located on the public lands with a generation capacity of at least 10,000 megawatts of electricity.” DOE and BLM (the Agencies) have identified utility-scale solar energy development as a potentially critical component in meeting these mandates. Utility-scale solar energy projects generate electricity that is distributed to consumers through the electric power transmission grid. The Agencies have determined that specific actions should be taken to further such energy development. The Agencies are considering the development and implementation of agency-specific programs that would establish environmental policies and mitigation strategies (e.g., best management practices and siting criteria) related to solar energy development in six western states