Education Activity (DoDEA), 4040 N. Fairfax Drive, 9th Floor, Arlington, VA 22203, ATTN: Dr. Sandra D. Embler or call (703) 588–3175.

Title, Associated Form and OMB Control Number: "Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Non-Sponsored Research Program," DoDEA Form 2071.3–F1, OMB CONTROL NUMBER 0704–0457.

Needs and Uses: The Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) is a DoD field activity operating under the direction, authority, and control of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, Military Community and Family Policy. The DoDEA operates 196 schools in 14 districts located in 12 foreign countries, seven states, Guam, and Puerto Rico.

The DoDEA receives requests from researchers to conduct non-DoDEA sponsored research studies in DoDEA schools, districts, and/or areas. To review the proposed research requests, DoDEA is seeking renewal for the DoDEA Administrative Instruction 2071.3 (DoDEA AI 2071.3) that includes DoDEA Form 2071.3—F1, "Research Study Request." The DoDEA "Research Study Request" collects information about the researcher, the research project, audience, timeline, and the statistical analyses that will be conducted during the proposed research study.

This information is needed to ensure that the proposed non-DoDEA sponsored research does not unduly interfere with the classroom instructional process or the regular operations of the school, district, and/or areas.

Affected Public: Federal government; individuals or Households.
Annual Burden Hours: 30 hours.

Number of Respondents: 30. Responses per Respondent: 1. Average Burden per Response: 1 hour. Frequency: Once.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The DoDEA Administrative Instruction 2071.3 (DoDEA AI 2071.3) follows the DoD Directive 3216.2, "Protection of Human Subjects and Adherence to Ethical Standards in DoD-Supported Research," March 25, 2002, which states that "The rights and welfare of human subjects in research supported or conducted by the DoD Components shall be protected. This protection encompasses basic respect for persons, beneficence, and justice in the selection of subjects." To ensure that all non-DoDEA sponsored research conducted in the DoDEA school system protects the dignity, well-being, and confidentiality of any individual(s)

involved in the research, including the rights guaranteed legally and constitutionally and by DoDEA policies, DoDEA created the DoDEA Form 2071.3–F1, "Research Study Request" that collects data that are used to review the proposed research study.

The "Research Study Request" is required from individuals or organizations who wish to propose data collection activities and/or research studies not sponsored by DoDEA, that involve DoDEA school personnel, school facilities, sponsors, students, and/or data. This documentation is required to show that the research does not unduly interfere with the classroom instructional process or the regular operations of the school, district, and/or areas. Information collected on the DoDEA Form 2071.3-F1 "Research Study Request" includes the researcher's name, address, telephone number, email address, FAX number (if available), school affiliation (if applicable), the study title, an abstract of the proposed study, an explanation on how the research study (1) is aligned with the DoDEA Community Strategic Plan, and (2) the impact of the study in the researcher's field of study, the major hypothesis(es) or question(s) to be tested, the population and/or sample to be studied, a description and copy of instruments, other data collection activities, the timetable for the study, and the statistical or other analysis techniques to be used during the study.

Dated: January 17, 2012.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2012-OS-0006]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the following proposed reinstatement of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information

is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. **DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 23, 2012. ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title. by any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• *Mail*: Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 02G09, East Tower, 2nd Floor, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal**Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) (Military Personnel Policy)/Accession Policy, ATTN: Major Justin DeVantier, or call (703) 695–5527.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Control Number: Request for Reference, DD Form 370, OMB Control Number: 0704–0167.

Needs and Uses: DD Form 370 is used by recruiters to obtain reference information on applicants who have admitted to committing a civil or criminal offense. The respondents may provide information that would allow the applicant to be considered for a waiver and, therefore, continue with the application process.

Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Annual Burden Hours: 4,175 hours. Number of Respondents: 25,000. Responses per Respondent: 1. Average Burden per Response: .167

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The DD Form 370 is a form in which an applicant, who requests a waiver to enter the Armed Forces, may provide a reference from their respective school, agency, or individual. The school, agency, and/or individual shall complete and sign and date the questionnaire to confirm the information. The information provided by the referring person will assist in determining whether or not the applicant meets the eligibility standards to become a member of the Armed Forces of the United States.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2012-OS-0005]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the following proposed reinstatement of public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 23, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), 4040 N. Fairfax Drive, 9th Floor, Arlington, VA 22203, ATTN: Dr. Sandra D. Embler or call (703) 588–3143.

Title and OMB Control Number: "Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Sure Start Parent Questionnaire," OMB CONTROL NUMBER 0704–0456.

Needs and Uses: The Sure Start Parent Questionnaire is an instrument to measure the overall satisfaction level of parents of students enrolled in DoDEA Sure Start programs. This collection is necessary to meet the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, Public Law 103-62; 107 Stat. 285, that requires agencies to have strategic plans and to consult with affected persons. A major purpose of the regulation is to improve Federal program effectiveness and public accountability by promoting a new focus on results, service quality, and customer satisfaction. The parent survey is also a required component of the annual evaluation of the Sure Start program as required by DoDEA.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 366. Number of Respondents: 1100. Responses per Respondent: 2. Average Burden per Response: 10 minutes.

Frequency: Biannually.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Sure Start Parent Questionnaire will be administered to all parents/sponsors of students enrolled in DoDEA Sure Start programs. Sure Start is the equivalent of prekindergarten but targets preschoolers

who are "at risk" for later school failure because of economic circumstance or other health and/or family factors. In addition to offering a high-quality educational program that reflects best practices in the field, Sure Start also provides health and nutrition, social, and parent involvement services. Close collaboration between families, schools, and the installation community is viewed as essential and a required part of the program, to include parental feedback on the program. Participation in the survey is completely voluntary and will be administered via paper/hard copy format. All data are collected and analyzed at the school level only. The questionnaire will give parents/sponsors an opportunity to indicate their overall level of satisfaction with DoDEA Sure Start programs. The questionnaire will be administered biannually; typically in the middle of the school year and at the school year's end.

The information derived from these surveys will be used to improve service and planning efforts at school level. This information is one of many measures used for future planning of programs and services offered to DoDEA's students.

Dated: January 17, 2012.

Aaron Siegel,

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the following proposed new public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and