

Naval Academies. Any interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

DATES: May 2, 2005/1 p.m.–4 p.m.

Location: The Thayer Hotel, 674 Thayer Road, West Point, New York 10996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this meeting or wishing to submit comments must contact: Mr. William Harkey, Public Affairs Officer, Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the Military Service Academies, 2850 Eisenhower Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, Telephone: (703) 325–6640, DSN# 221–6640, Fax: (703) 325–6710/6711, william.harkey.CTR@wso.whs.mil.

Interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Task Force and make an oral presentation of such. Persons desiring to make an oral presentation or submit a written statement to the Task Force must notify the point of contact listed above no later than 5 p.m., April 27, 2005. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on May 2, 2005, from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. before the full Task Force. Presentations will be limited to ten minutes each. Number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public and the time allotted. Each person desiring to make an oral presentation must provide the point of contact listed above with one (1) written copy of the presentation by 5 p.m., April 27, 2005 and bring 15 written copies of any material that is intended for distribution at the meeting. Persons submitting a written statement must submit 15 written copies of the statement to the Task Force staff by 5 p.m. on April 27, 2005.

General Information: Additional information concerning the Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at The Military Service Academies, its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the DTFSH and VTMA Web site (<http://www.dtic.mil/dtfs>).

Dated: April 14, 2005.

Jeannette Owings-Ballard,

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,
Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the Military Service Academies; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice; Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the Military Service Academies—open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 96–463, notice is hereby given that the Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the Military Academies will hold an open meeting at Loews Annapolis Hotel, 126 West Street, Annapolis, MD 21401, on May 3, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Purpose: The Task Force will meet on May 3, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and this session will be open to the public, subject to the availability of space. In keeping with the spirit of Federal Advisory Committee Act, it is the desire of the Task Force to provide the public with an opportunity to ask questions of the Task Force or to make comment regarding the current work of the Task Force. The first hour of the meeting will be designated for any public comment. During the final two hours, the Task Force as a whole will discuss findings and recommendations regarding victims' rights and services, accountability, training, and community collaboration at the U.S. Military and Naval Academies. Any interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

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Location: Loews Annapolis Hotel, 126 West Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Meeting of the Board of Advisors (BOA) to the Superintendent, Naval Postgraduate School (NPS)

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The purpose of the meeting is to elicit the advice of the board on the Naval Service's Postgraduate Education Program and the collaborative exchange and partnership between NPS and the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT). The board examines the effectiveness with which the NPS is accomplishing its mission. To this end, the board will inquire into the curricula; instruction; physical equipment; administration; state of morale of the student body, faculty, and staff; fiscal affairs; and any other matters relating to the operation of the NPS as the board considers pertinent. This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 20, 2005, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Thursday, April 21, 2005, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. All written comments regarding the NPS BOA

should be received by April 8, 2005, and be directed to President, Naval Postgraduate School (Attn: Jaye Panza), 1 University Circle, Monterey, CA 93943-5000 or by fax (831) 656-3145.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Naval Postgraduate School, Herrmann Hall, 1 University Circle, Monterey, CA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jaye Panza, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA 93943-5000, telephone number (831) 656-2514.

Dated: April 14, 2005.

I.C. Le Moyne, Jr.,

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education; Overview Information; Enhanced Assessment Instruments; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2005

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.368.

Dates: Applications Available: April 19, 2005.

Deadline for Transmittal of

Applications: June 3, 2005.

Eligible Applicants: State educational agencies; Consortia of State educational agencies.

Estimated Available Funds:

\$11,680,000 in FY 2005 funds.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$500,000 to \$2,000,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$1,460,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 8.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice. In no case will an award be made for less than the amount specified in section 6113(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA) 20 U.S.C. 7301b(b)(2)(A)(ii).

Project period: Up to 20 months.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: To enhance the quality of assessment instruments and systems used by States for measuring the achievement of all students.

Priorities: These priorities are from Appendix E to the notice of final requirements for optional State consolidated applications submitted under section 9302 of the ESEA, published in the **Federal Register** on May 22, 2002 (67 FR 35967, 35979).

Competitive Preference Priorities: For FY 2005, these priorities are competitive preference priorities. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(i) we will award up to an additional 35 points to an application, depending on the extent to which the application meets these priorities.

These priorities are: Test accommodations (up to 15 points), collaborative efforts (up to 10 points), and dissemination beyond the original grantee or grant collaborative (up to 10 points).

Note: The full text of these priorities is included in the application package.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7842 and 7301a.

Applicable Regulations: The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 80, 81, 82, 84, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99.

II. Award Information

Type of Award: Discretionary grants.

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Project period: Up to 20 months.

III. Eligibility Information

1. **Eligible Applicants:** State educational agencies; Consortia of State educational agencies.

2. **Cost Sharing or Matching:** This competition does not involve cost sharing or matching.

3. **Other:** An application from a consortium of State educational agencies must designate one State educational agency as the fiscal agent.

IV. Application and Submission Information

1. **Address to Request Application Package:** Zollie Stevenson, Jr., Student Achievement and School Accountability Program, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3W200, Washington, DC 20202-6132. Telephone: 202-260-1824 or by e-mail: Zollie.Stevenson@ed.gov.

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

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package

in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) by contacting the program contact person listed in this section.

2. Content and Form of Application

Submission: Section 6112(a) of the ESEA (20 U.S.C. 7301a(a)) requires that all funded applications demonstrate that States (or consortia of States) will—

a. Collaborate with institutions of higher education, other research institutions, or other organizations to improve the quality, validity, and reliability of State academic assessments beyond the requirements for the assessments described in section 1111(b)(3) of the ESEA;

b. Measure student academic achievement using multiple measures of student academic achievement from multiple sources;

c. Chart student progress over time;

d. Evaluate student academic achievement through the development of comprehensive academic assessment instruments, such as performance and technology-based academic assessments.

Other requirements concerning the content of an application, together with the forms you must submit, are in the application package for this competition. **Page Limit:** The application narrative (Part III of the application) is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate your application. You must limit Part III to the equivalent of no more than 40 pages, using the following standards:

- A "page" is 8.5" x 11", on one side only with 1" margins at the top, bottom, and both sides.

- Double space (no more than 3 lines per vertical inch) all text and use a font no smaller than 10 point for all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, and captions as well as all text in charts, tables, figures, and graphs.

- Your cover sheet, budget section (chart and narrative), assurances and certifications, response regarding research activities involving human subjects, GEPA 427 response, one-page abstract, personnel résumés, and letters of support are not included in the page limit; however, discussion of how well the application meets the competitive preference priorities and how well the application addresses each of the selection criteria must be included within the page limit.

Our reviewers will not read any pages of your application that—

- Exceed the page limit if you apply these standards; or
- Exceed the equivalent of the page limit if you apply other standards.