A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:

We request your participation with the **2019 Annual Survey of School System Finances**. The U.S. Census Bureau in conjunction with the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) is conducting this survey. This survey is conducted in order to make available up-to-date school district finance data essential to the work of the U.S. Congress, state legislators, government finance officers, education research organizations, and many others.

State education agencies report most of the school district finance data requested for this survey. State financial reports, however, often do not contain details regarding school district assets held in various nonretirement funds, such as general, debt service, and bond funds.

Please use the enclosed form as a worksheet prior to reporting online. Website and log-in information can be found on the front page of the form. Online reporting is easy, reduces costs, and decreases processing times. You may elect to return the completed form in the enclosed envelope instead of responding online.

We estimate this survey will take an average of 15 minutes to complete. Information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

For assistance with completing this survey, please call our customer help line at 1-800-622-6193, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Eastern time.

**Thank you** in advance for your time and participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America’s people, places, and economy.

Sincerely,

Steven D. Dillingham
Director

Enclosures
OMB Number

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0607-0700 and appears in the top right corner of the paper survey form or each online reporting screen. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey.

Authority and Confidentiality

Title 13, United States Code, Sections 8(b), 161 and 182, and Title 20, United States Code, Sections 9543-44, authorize the U.S. Census Bureau to conduct this collection and request your voluntary assistance. These data are subject to provisions of Title 13, United States Code, Section 9(a), which exempts data that are customarily provided in public records from rules of confidentiality.

Burden Estimate Statement

We estimate this survey will take an average of 15 minutes to complete, including the time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the data needed, and complete and review the survey.
**Part I** CASH AND INVESTMENTS HELD AT END OF FISCAL YEAR 2019

- Report below amounts of cash and investments (at market value) for the following funds
  - **Sinking funds:** Reserves held specifically for redemption of long-term debt of your district.
  - **Bond funds:** All unexpended proceeds of bond issues that were being held at the end of the fiscal year in any funds or accounts, pending their disbursement.
  - All other funds. **EXCLUDE** any employee retirement funds.

- If you have any questions, please email ERD.F33.List@census.gov or call 1–800–622–6193.

- **NOTE:** Please keep a copy for your records. If you need to view your prior year’s data, please use the web application.

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[https://respond.census.gov/f33](https://respond.census.gov/f33)

**Return via Mail:**
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**Remarks**

Please note that this is a national form that applies to governments with wide differences in the size of their service areas, the amount of population served, and the extent and complexity of their financial accounts. We estimate public reporting burden for this collection to be an average of 15 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: ERD Survey Comments 0607-0700, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Room ERD-6H151, Washington, D.C. 20233. You may e-mail comments to erd.surveys@census.gov. Be sure to use “ERD Survey Comments 0607-0700” as the subject.

**Part II** DATA SUPPLIED BY

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