

Education CENSUS 2010

About the 2010 Census:

- **What:** The Census is a count of everyone residing in the United States: in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas.
- **Who:** All residents of the United States, regardless of immigration status, must be counted. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, citizens, and non-citizens.
- **When:** Every ten years, and the next Census occurs in 2010. Census questionnaires will be mailed or delivered to every household in the United States in March 2010. The questions ask you to provide information that is accurate for your household as of April 1, 2010.
- **Why:** The U.S. Constitution mandates a headcount of everyone residing in the United States. The population totals determine Congressional representation, funding in your community, and helps inform decision makers about how your community is changing.
- **How:** The Census Bureau will mail or deliver questionnaires to your house in March 2010. Households that do not respond may receive a replacement questionnaire in early April. Census takers will visit households that do not return questionnaires to take a count in person.

Why the 2010 Census is important to our Schools:

- Information from the Census will determine the distribution of funds nationally. Some examples of programs are:
 - **Special Education Preschool Grants for children ages 3 through 5**
 - **After school programs and more resources for students**
 - **Aid to schools that serve children with limited English proficiency**
 - **National School Lunch Program**
 - **Head Start**
 - **Child Care Mandatory & Matching Funds**
 - **School Breakfast Program**
 - **Greater eligibility for schools to be awarded federal and competitive grants**
 - **Helps reduce property and school taxes by increasing state aid**
- The more people that are counted in your community, means more funding for these programs in your schools.

Completing your Census form is a safe and easy way to make a civic contribution and give something back to your community



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