## **Partnership Fact Sheet: Schools**

The once-a-decade population count serves as the basis for distributing federal assistance to schools and educational institutions, including Title I aid, the National School Lunch Program, and special education grants to states. Join us to spread the word about the importance of the 2020 Census and help ensure that your students, educators, and community members receive the resources they need.

As a partner, you become part of a powerful network of government, nonprofit, corporate, and community organizations. Together, we can develop solutions to effectively reach everyone and encourage them to respond to the 2020 Census.

## **BENEFITS OF A COMPLETE COUNT**

A complete count of every person living in the United States has tremendous benefits for you and for your students, staff, and community members.

Census data:

- Accurately determine how many representatives each state has in Congress and inform the redrawing of congressional district boundaries.
- Are used as the basis for distributing more than \$675 billion in federal funds annually to states, counties, and communities to support resources such as schools, hospitals, and fire departments.
- Inform policy, community initiatives, and consumer advocacy.
- Are used to determine the allocation of Title I funds, which provide financial assistance to local educational agencies and schools with high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families.

# WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A 2020 CENSUS PARTNER

You can make a difference—no matter how much time you're able to commit. Educators are counted on by your community to share important information. As trusted voices in the communities they serve, partners are critical to the success of the 2020 Census.

These are some of the many ways you can get involved:

- Use free Statistics in Schools resources to teach students about the importance of the census and the value of statistical literacy.
- Participate in Statistics in Schools Week—a week full of ways to bring statistics into your classroom.
- Use U.S. Census Bureau tools, information, and messaging in creative ways—such as in newsletter articles, on co-branded products, and in social media content—to raise awareness of the 2020 Census.
- Provide information to students, educators, and community members about the importance and benefits of participating in the 2020 Census. You can even invite Census Bureau officials to speak to them.
- Encourage people in your community to work for the Census Bureau, and share this link with them: **2020census.gov/jobs**.

### **2020 CENSUS PARTNER RESOURCES**

As a 2020 Census partner, not only will you help ensure that the people you work with are accurately represented, but you will also be able to use Census Bureau resources to enrich your classroom and community. You will have personalized access to Census Bureau data tools and products, workshops to help you use data effectively, and one-on-one support from data trainers.



## INTERESTED IN PARTNERING WITH THE CENSUS BUREAU?

National organizations interested in partnering with the Census Bureau can contact the 2020 Census Partnership Program at **census.partners@census.gov** to share ideas about how we can work together to ensure a complete and accurate count.

State and local organizations can reach out to their regional census center using the contact information below.

#### Atlanta

Phone: 470-889-6800

E-mail: Atlanta.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov

#### Chicago

Phone: 312-579-1605

E-mail: Chicago.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov

#### Dallas

Phone: 972-510-1800 E-mail: Dallas.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov

#### Los Angeles

Phone: 213-314-6500 E-mail: Los.Angeles.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov

## New York

Phone: 212-882-2130

E-mail: New.York.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov

#### Philadelphia

Phone: 267-780-2530

E-mail: Philadelphia.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov

We look forward to welcoming you as a Census Bureau partner.

For the latest updates on the 2020 Census, visit **2020census.gov**.

### **KEY MILESTONES**

- September 2018—The Census Bureau's recruitment Web site went live: 2020census.gov/jobs. For each decennial census, the Census Bureau begins recruiting thousands of paid census takers to help ensure a complete and accurate count. Interested applicants can visit the Web site to apply for a variety of jobs beginning in 2019 and through summer 2020.
- April 2019—The 2020 Census Web site goes live: 2020census.gov. This site will be available in multiple languages and will provide downloadable materials, answers to frequently asked questions, and more information about how individuals and organizations can help spread the word about the 2020 Census.
- August 2019—New Statistics in Schools classroom activities are available online: census.gov/schools. The Statistics in Schools program provides resources for teaching and learning with real-life data.
- January 2020—The first enumeration of the 2020 Census takes place in Toksook Bay, Alaska. Local census takers must get a head start while the frozen ground allows easier access to remote areas with unique accessibility challenges.
- March 2020—The public can begin responding to the 2020 Census online at 2020census.gov. Replying by mail or phone will also be an option.
- April 2020—Every 10 years, we observe Census Day on April 1.
- June 2020 through July 2020—Census takers go door to door to count people who have not responded to the 2020 Census. Census takers are Census Bureau employees and will provide proof that they are official government personnel.
- December 31, 2020—By this date, as required by law, the Census Bureau reports to the President of the United States the population count and the apportionment of seats in the U.S. House of Representatives to each state.
- 2021—Initial 2020 Census data are made available to the public on **census.gov**.