Comment: Commenter requested the Department collect information from State educational agencies on the implementation of provisions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act, related to school leadership. The commenter suggested specific questions that the Department asks each fiscal year quarter, which include questions about certification and licensure, evidence based practices, teacher recruitment, use of data to inform decision making, and use of funds for school leadership activities under Title I, Part A and Title II, Part A.

Discussion: The Department appreciates the comment and agrees that the specific questions suggested are appropriate to ask of State educational agency officials during a comprehensive performance review and the Department will consider these suggestions as we develop our comprehensive protocol for Title I, Part A and Title II, Part A. The Department agrees that the topic of school leadership is appropriate for a quarterly progress check; in order to limit burden on State officials, however, the Department declines to add the suggested questions to the quarterly protocol as a standing set of questions.

Changes: None.