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Hello ~

I am writing to express my support for maintaining public access to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) and to request your continued commitment to ensuring this critical resource remains available.

The data from the IPEDS Academic Libraries Survey is a valuable source of information for benchmarking analysis; thus, the survey must be preserved. Eliminating the Academic Library Survey from IPEDS will eliminate free access to a vital source of data and a vital companion tool for all academic libraries. IPEDS provides a transparent view of institutional performance, enabling students, parents, and policymakers to make informed decisions. The survey provides academic libraries with the data necessary to engage in analysis that can result in substantive improvement to services that strengthen our colleges and universities by supporting teaching, learning and research. Access to comprehensive data supports continuous improvement efforts across the higher education landscape.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I trust that you will take the necessary steps to preserve public access to IPEDS and support the continued advancement of higher education

Regards ~