

**THE 2010 CENSUS CNMI IS COMING!**  
**Make sure you and your students  
are counted.**



Dear Principal:

April 1, 2010 is Census Day! Is your community ready?

Recently you may recall receiving the **2010 Census: It's About Us** materials. This K-8 standards-specific program, developed by the U.S. Census Bureau and Scholastic to promote the 2010 Census, features maps, classroom lessons, worksheets, and additional materials created especially for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. This exciting educational program is also available **free** at [www.census.gov/schools](http://www.census.gov/schools).

**Send the  
message  
home  
with these  
Family  
Pages!**

**Enclosed you will find materials that speak directly to your students' families.**

**PLAN NOW FOR A CENSUS  
IN SCHOOLS WEEK TO TAKE  
PLACE SOMETIME IN JANUARY  
THROUGH MARCH 2010.**

**Work with teachers to create  
an exciting week of census fun.  
Consider these suggestions:**

- 1. Information Night:** Invite a member from your local Complete Count Committee to a parents' meeting.
- 2. PTA/PTO:** Send student ambassadors to answer questions about the census.
- 3. Census Countdown:** Integrate a census countdown into daily announcements.
- 4. School Census:** Conduct a schoolwide census that coincides with the national census.
- 5. Complete Counts Matter:** Remind students daily of one reason that the census matters to your community.

These Family Pages were created to help prepare everyone in your community for the arrival of the 2010 Census CNMI questionnaires in March. You are receiving 10 teachers' packages that include:

- **30 Family Pages to send home with students**
- **Activity suggestions that empower students to educate the community about the 2010 Census CNMI**
- **A reproducible flyer to hang in local businesses and meeting places**



Please distribute the 10 sets of Family Pages to interested teachers. There are enough for 300 students! Building community knowledge, confidence, and understanding of the 2010 Census in the CNMI will help to boost participation in your community.

Sincerely,

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Director, U.S. Census Bureau

P.S. To learn more, visit [www.census.gov/schools](http://www.census.gov/schools).