What is the Census? The Census is a systematic way of counting every individual in the United States. The count takes place every 10 years. The 2020 Census will provide a snapshot of our nation—who we are, where we live, and so much more.

Over the next decade, lawmakers, business owners, and many others will use 2020 Census data to make critical decisions. The results will show where communities need new schools, new clinics, new roads, and more services for families, older adults, and children.

The results will also inform how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding are allocated to more than 100 programs, including Medicaid, Head Start, block grants for community mental health services, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, also known as SNAP.

In this activity, elementary/middle school and high school students are to answer fun facts about the Census. Submit your answers using the QR Code or website listed below. Only submit the answer for your grade level. Two students (one elementary/middle school and one high school student) will have their name drawn for the weekly prize!

Answers are due Saturday, May 23, 2020

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Source: Census.gov
ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL

1. What was the U.S. population when the first census was taken in 1790?
   - a. 4 million
   - b. 18 million
   - c. 25 million

2. Which state is the most densely populated?
   - a. Maryland
   - b. California
   - c. New Jersey

3. On average, how many people live together in a family household?
   - a. 2
   - b. 3
   - c. 5

4. What was the median family income in 2016?
   - a. $51,742
   - b. $66,845
   - c. $72,707

5. How many bedrooms would you find in an average U.S. home?
   - a. 2
   - b. 3
   - c. 4

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HIGH SCHOOL

1. What is the name of the group of people who were born in the decades following World War II, from about 1946 to 1964?

2. For the State of Illinois, what is the percentage of people, 25 years and older, that held a high school diploma or higher between 2014-2018?

3. For the State of Illinois, what is the percentage of people, 25 years and older, who received a Bachelor's Degree or higher between 2014-2018?

4. For the State of Illinois, what is the number of owner-occupied housing units between 2014-2018?

5. For the State of Illinois, what was the number of minority owned firms in 2012?