```javascript
const welcomeContainer = document.getElementById('welcome-container');
const welcomeMessage = document.getElementById('welcome-message');

// Check if the username is already stored in localStorage
const storedName = localStorage.getItem('username');
if (storedName) {
  // Show the welcome message and redirect
  welcomeMessage.textContent = `Welcome back, ${storedName}!`;
  loginContainer.style.display = 'none';
  welcomeContainer.style.display = 'block';

  setTimeout(() => {
    window.location.href = 'select-avatar.html';
  }, 2000);
  return;
}

// Handle form submission
document.getElementById('nameForm').addEventListener('submit', function (event) {
    event.preventDefault(); // Prevent default form submission

    const name = document.getElementById('name').value.trim();

    // Validate name input
    if (!name) return;

    // Fetch existing data from the backend
    fetch('app-data')
      .then(response => response.json())
      .then(data => {
        // Append the new user to the existing users array if it doesn't exist
        const users = data.users || [];
        const userExists = users.some(user => user.name === name);

        if (!userExists) {
          users.push({
            name: name,
            selectedAvatars: []
          });
```