

Parent's or Guardian's Permission Form

Dear Parent or Guardian,

I am presently involved in a research project on [topic]. Information on this topic is valuable for [explain value].

I would like permission for your child to [explain involvement of child and amount of time the involvement takes].

There will be approximately [state number] student participants. Your child's participation in this research is voluntary, and you may decline to allow your child to participate in the study. You may change your mind about your child's participation. Your child may also decline to participate. There is no penalty to your child if he or she does not participate.

Sample survey items include:

[Optionally, you may give more detail about survey questions or the activity in which the child will participate.]

There are no known risks associated with your child's participation. Your child's responses will remain confidential, and the data will be stored securely during the study. All data will be destroyed within three years of the study's completion. In addition, no reference will be made in oral or written reports that could link your child to the study. Please understand that the use of this information will be primarily for [explain primary usage]. In addition to this parental permission form, I will ask your child whether he or she wants to participate.

I appreciate your child's participation in this research. If you have any questions about the study or the procedures, please feel free to contact me. If you have questions regarding your child's rights as a research-participant, call or email Dr. Joan Fee, Institutional Review Board Chair, Aurora University, at (630) 844-6232, jfee@aurora.edu.

Sincerely,

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Researcher, Aurora University

Phone: (XXX) XXX-XXXX

[e-mail](#) address

I give permission for my child _____ (Print child's name) to participate in the study.

[If appropriate] I give permission for my child to be audio-taped [videotaped] _____

Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____