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Parent's or Guardian's Informed Permission Form
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

A first-hand experience with laboratory procedures is an important part of many courses in psychology. At NYU, we take advantage of our faculty's active research programs to give students that experience. Students in most courses participate in carefully supervised studies, thus gaining otherwise unobtainable experience with original research in psychology.

We have both department and university-wide committees that approve studies for our students. These committees are very exacting in enforcing high ethical standards. Each of the research projects contains safeguards designed to protect the rights and welfare of the students who participate. All records are confidential, so the privacy of the student's data is protected.

The Study: Your child, _____, is invited to take part in a study named "Student Decisions". This study is being conducted by Tyler Okimoto, who is the principal investigator. Tyler can be reached at tgo203@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Place, Room 558, NY, NY, (212) 998-7808. The faculty sponsor of this work is Dr. Tom Tyler, who can be reached at tom.tyler@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Place, Room 579, NY, NY, (212) 998-7816.

Its Purpose: The study is designed to learn more about the conflict resolution decisions deemed as adequate by the victims of an injustice, within the context of the university grievance procedures.

Its Procedures: If you give permission for your child to be in this study, he or she will be asked to do the following: read cases describing a student grievance, and share opinions regarding what would be a fair response to that injustice, from the perspective of the victimized student. Participation will take about 1 hour.

Its Risks: There are no known risks associated with this study.

Its Benefits: Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, it may make your child more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand judgment and decision making processes related to conflict resolution.

Consent: Participation in this study is completely voluntary. Non-participation or withdrawal will not affect your child's grade or academic standing in any way. Further, once participating, he or she may withdraw at any time and still receive his/her 1.0 hour credit offered in exchange for that participation.

Privacy: Confidentiality of your child's research records will be strictly maintained by making absolutely no identifying marks on the data, storing the data in a locked room for a period of 5 years (as recommended by the APA), and then destroying the data via shredder after this 5-year period.

Debriefing: On completing the study your child will receive a thorough written explanation of it that you may ask to see.

The information above has satisfied me such that I agree that my child may participate in your study. If I have any additional questions or want to report a problem, I may reach the researcher, Tyler Okimoto, or his/her Faculty Sponsor, Dr. Tom Tyler, at their contacts provided above. For questions about my child's rights as a research participant, I may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), Office of Sponsored Programs, NYU, (212) 998-2121.

I have received a copy of this permission document to keep.

Permission Granted for my Child's Participation

Parent's or Guardian's Signature

Date