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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 RT-D2. It is being conducted by Kentaro Fujita who is the principal investigator. He can be reached at kf348@nyu.edu; 212-998-7872; Meyer 755D, 6 Washington Place, New York, NY 10003. The faculty sponsor of this work is Prof. Peter Gollwitzer who can be reached at peter.gollwitzer@nyu.edu; 212-998-7875; Meyer 781, 6 Washington Place, New York, NY 10003.

Its Purpose: The study is designed to learn more about the processes underlying focus and attention.

Its Procedures: If you give permission for your child to be in this study, he or she will be asked to do the following: perform computerized reaction time tasks designed to measure concentration and attention. 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 guaranteed benefits other than credit, this study may make your child more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better the processes underlying focus and attention.

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 credit.

Privacy: Confidentiality of your child's research records will be strictly maintained by the assignment of codes not identifiable with real names or identities. All materials collected will be stored in a locked laboratory room and used solely for research purposes. Materials will be kept until 5 years after publication, as recommended by the American Psychological Association. After this time, materials will be expunged or shredded.

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, Kentaro Fujita, or his Faculty Sponsor, Prof. Peter Gollwitzer, at their contacts provided above. For questions about my child's rights, 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