

CLAREMONT MCKENNA COLLEGE

**Parental Consent to Participate in a Research Study in the
Department of Psychology
Claremont McKenna College • Claremont, CA**

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Introduction

- As part of a learning experience, we have asked your son/daughter to participate in experimental research as part of a course assignment for a course in Psychology. If you are unfamiliar with psychological research conducted at institutions of higher education, research typically covers a variety of topics investigating cognitive, social, and organizational psychology. For more information about individual research projects, please review the list of current projects at the end of this document. A web link those studies' informed-consent forms is provided for your convenience.

Right to Ask Questions and Report Concerns

- As a parent or legal guardian of a child under the age of 18, you have the right to ask questions about the research studies just as any participant over the age of 18 has that right. If you have any questions about research studies, please contact the supervising Professor (principal investigator) at any time during the semester. The supervising professor's contact information is provided on the informed-consent form associated with that research.
- If you have any further questions about the study or your son's/daughter's rights as a research participant in general, please contact the Chair of the Institutional Review Board at Claremont McKenna College, Professor Michael O'Neill by email at moneill@cmc.edu or by telephone at (909) 627-8336.

Informed Consent Forms: http://www.claremontmckenna.edu/psych/research_consent_forms.php

- Below is a list of current research studies. Please review the informed consent forms for each project and place an "X" next to YES for each study you are **comfortable** allowing your son/daughter to participate. Place an "X" next to NO if you are uncomfortable with him/her participating in that project. Please note that your approval as parent or legal guardian does not guarantee that your son or daughter will participate in a given experiment. He or she still has the choice to participate, not participate, or complete an alternative assignment just as any other research participant has that right.
- As part of a formal process for conducting research, your son/daughter will also read and review the informed-consent form after arriving for an experiment. He or she will have the opportunity to provide written consent at that time and will have access to the informed-consent forms using the web link provided above.

Please indicate your approval for the experiments listed below:

- Yes ___ No ___ Cognitive Abilities
- Yes ___ No ___ Express Yourself
- Yes ___ No ___ Hands Up
- Yes ___ No ___ Images and Pictures
- Yes ___ No ___ Jury Decision Making in Cases of Terrorism
- Yes ___ No ___ Individual Differences in Jury Decision-Making
- Yes ___ No ___ Memory and Modality
- Yes ___ No ___ Memory for Linguistic Information
- Yes ___ No ___ Memory Judgments, Attention, and Distraction
- Yes ___ No ___ Mind The Body
- Yes ___ No ___ Personality and Consumer Choice
- Yes ___ No ___ Planning and Monitoring
- Yes ___ No ___ Plans for the Future
- Yes ___ No ___ Study of the Effects of Music
- Yes ___ No ___ Survey of Prevailing Opinions about Societal Issues and Social Groups
- Yes ___ No ___ Time and Memory
- Yes ___ No ___ Understanding Sentencing Decisions in Criminal Trials

- If you agree to the terms and conditions in these informed consent forms, please sign this form and fax it to Professor Gabriel I. Cook in the Psychology Department at Claremont McKenna College, Fax: (909) 621-8419.
- If you object to allowing your son/daughter to participate in any experiments offered, please know that he/she has the option to complete an alternative assignment that is designed to provide a similar learning experience as would participating in an experiment.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian

Signature: _____ Date: _____