**DIRECTIONS**

**9th – 12th Grade Assent Form**

*This document is an example. There are various ways to set up this document. This is just one example for you to use.*

* Read the assent form and adapt the text according to your research.
	+ Adapt **ORANGE TEXT** to fit your research.
	+ Choose the appropriate statement in **GREEN TEXT** that applies to your research. Delete the other statement not being used.
	+ Choose the appropriate **BLUE TEXT** option. Delete the other option not being used.
	+ Deletethe **RED TEXT** from the consent form.
* Format the document to un-bold the text and change the font color to black.
* A parent or legal guardian consent form is required when minors are participating in research.
* Notice that this template is to provide guidance on how to create a minor assent form. Due to the varying age groups this form will be adapted to accommodate such age groups.

**ASSENT FORM**

**{Title of your study}**

**What is this research studying?**

This research will help us learn how **{Briefly describe the purpose of your study.}**

**What would I do if I participate?**

In this study, you will be asked to **{describe what their participation entails in this study.} (this includes if there will be audio or video recording).}** There is a possibility that some of the questions and procedures may make you feel uncomfortable.

**What are the benefits of participating in this research?**

**{CHOOSE ONE OPTION: There are no anticipated benefits for your participation in this research. OR The benefits associated with this research are (Enter benefit(s)). {COMPENSATION/INCENTIVE IS NOT A BENEFIT.}**

**What are the risks of participating in this research?**

**{CHOOSE ONE OPTION: There are no anticipated risks for your participation in this research. OR The risks associated with this research are (Enter risk(s)).**

We appreciate your time and effort with this research study.

**Will I receive an incentive or compensation?**

**{If you are providing an incentive/compensation to the participant provide the following: a description of the incentive/compensation (includes extra-credit and non-monetary gifts); any restrictions or requirements for participant compensation, if it is a drawing provide the odds of winning, and the time frame of when the participant will receive the incentive/compensation.}**

**Can I quit if I become uncomfortable?**

You can skip parts of the research you are not comfortable with and stop at any time for any reason. You will keep all the benefits of participating even if you stop. Participating is your choice.

**How long will participation take?**

The study will **{amount of time}** of your time.

**How are you protecting privacy?**

Your name will not be linked to any papers or presentations. **{Include any specific protections that will be implemented by the research team based on the research procedures.}**

**What will happen to my data?**

**Researchers may use your data for future research.**

**or**

**We will destroy your data after the research is complete.**

**I have some questions about this study. Who can I ask?**

The study is being run by **{TTU PI’s Name and Co-Investigator’s Name}** from the Department of **{Department’s Name}** at Texas Tech University. If you have questions, you can call **{TTU PI’s Name}** at **{TTU PI’s contact information XXX-XXX-XXXX or TTU email}**.

Texas Tech University also has an Institutional Review Board that protects the rights of people who participate in research. You can contact them at 806-742-2064 or hrpp@ttu.edu. You can also visit their website at [www.hrpp.ttu.edu](http://www.hrpp.ttu.edu/).

Minor’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Minor’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Parent’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_