

Oral Informed Consent Script for Human Subject

Introduction

“My name is xxx. This semester, I am learning about reading comprehension and how I can help you to improve your reading skills. I am doing a project for one of my classes at Chico State and I would like to use your test scores to determine if the methods I am using in class are helping you.”

Research

“In addition to reading our textbook, you will also have the opportunity to participate in some oral activities that may help you to better understand the words used in your textbook. We will be doing this for six weeks. I will be giving you a test at the beginning of the six weeks to assess your reading level and then another test at the end to see if the activities helped improved your reading skills.”

Risks

“This project will be part of your regular classroom activities. The only difference is that I will be using information that I learn from your tests for my class project if your parents do not object. For some of the activities, you will be asked to speak in front of other students in the class, but in class oral participation will remain voluntary. If you participate in the oral activities, it might help to improve your vocabulary and your reading comprehension.”

Confidentiality

“Participation in my project is completely voluntary and will in no way affect your English grade. You can stop participating at any time. Your name will remain completely anonymous and I will be using a fake name for the high school when I write my paper about my project.”

Costs/Compensation

“There will be no costs or compensation since my research involves regular classroom instruction during the school day so neither will be mentioned.”

Participation/Further Questions

“I am giving you this letter to inform your parents about my project. If you don’t want your scores to be included in my research, or if you have any questions, you or your parents can contact me before or after class or at (530)xxx-xxxx.” If you have questions about your rights as a participant, you may contact the CSU, Chico Human Subjects in Research Committee at 530-898-3145 or IRB@csuchico.edu