Growing up with Media
Child Assent for Participation in Research
Wave 1

Before we begin, we ask that you read the following consent form and answer the question below.

Title of research project: Growing up with Media

Purpose of the consent form: To tell you about the survey

Purpose of the research study: To understand how media may be affecting the way young people act

Group conducting data collection: Harris Interactive

You are one of about 1,600 young people and their parents who we have asked to take the “Growing up with Media” survey. This research study will help us learn how media may affect the way young people act. We want to ask about what kinds of websites you go to, what kinds of shows you watch, and what kinds of video games you play. We also want to find out about things you do when you are alone and when you are with friends. This page explains this research study. Please read it carefully.

You and your parent (or guardian) will be in the study. Your parent or guardian received an email from us that had a link to the survey website. They have finished the Adult Survey. Now, it is your turn to answer questions in the Youth Survey. It will take you about 20 minutes.

It is important that you fill out the survey by yourself. No one should be able to see your answers. No one should tell you what your answers should be. You do not have to answer any question you don’t want to.

We will mail you a gift card for $15 after you do this survey, and again after you go through the whole survey next year. After you finish the last survey one year later, we will mail a $25 gift certificate to you.

Your answers can help us learn how to keep children away from fights and other violence. Taking this survey won’t help or hurt you. Some of the questions ask about sex and some about substance use like cigarettes and alcohol. Others ask about things you may have seen or done that might be hard to talk about, including violence. You don’t have to answer any question you
don’t want to for any reason.

We will not share your answers with your parents. Your answers will be kept in a safe place.

If you have questions about the study, please contact:
   Dr. Michele Ybarra at 1-877-302-6858 or Michele@ISolutions4Kids.org.

If you have questions about your rights as a participant in this study, or if you feel that you have been harmed in any way by taking part in this study, please contact:
   The CDC’s Deputy Associate Director for Science at 1-800-584-8814. Leave a message with your name, phone number, and refer to CDC Protocol # 4478, and someone will call you.

If you feel very sad or upset after taking this survey, please talk to someone. You can call the National Mental Health Information Center at: 800-789-2647 for more information.

You can also log on to www.SafeYouth.org to learn more about what you can do to stay safe and help others to stay safe.

Your parent or guardian has told us that it is all right for you to be in this study. We also want you to say that it’s okay. You can choose to be in the study. You can choose not to be in the study at any time. Your parent or guardian also can choose to stop being in the study at any time. If you or your parent wants to stop taking part in the study, please email us at Michele@ISolutions4Kids.org. If you or your parent stop being in the study, we will not contact you again. It will not hurt you or your parent if either of you chooses not to be in the study.

Now, please print out this page with the contact information.

Please read everything. By selecting “Yes” below, you agree to take the surveys. If you choose not to take the surveys, we have just a few more questions for you.

[1] Yes, I want to take the surveys.

[2] No, I do not want to take the surveys.