Growing up with Media

Adult Consent for Self and Permission for Child to Participate 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 inform you about the content of the survey

Purpose of the research study: To understand how media may be affecting youth behavior

Group conducting data collection: Harris Interactive

You are one of about 1,600 parents or guardians and their children who are being asked to take part in the “Growing up with Media” survey. You were invited to participate because you said you have a child between the ages of 10 and 15 years who has used the Internet at least once in the last six months. The purpose of this research is to understand how media may be affecting youth behavior. We want to find out what kinds of websites kids go to, what kinds of movies and television programming they watch, and what kinds of video and computer games young people are playing. We also want to find out about things kids do when they are alone and when they are with friends. This page explains this research study. Please read it carefully.

The first part of the survey is for parents and will take about 5 minutes. When you are finished, please ask your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] to come to the computer to complete [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q698] survey. If it is not a good time for your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690], [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q697] may choose to complete it later. It will take your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] about 20 minutes to take the survey. Your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] will not see your answers.

We will ask you and your child to fill out two more surveys on the Internet. The next survey will be one year from now and the last survey will be two years from now.

It is very important that you and your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] take the survey in a place that is private. You should feel comfortable to answer the questions honestly. Please do not watch your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] or try to tell [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q699] how to answer any question.
Taking these surveys won’t help or hurt you or your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690]. It is possible that some people might feel uncomfortable answering some questions. You and your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] may skip any question you or your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] do not want to answer for any reason.

All of the answers you give will be private. The answers will be stored in a secure location and will not have information identifying you or your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690]. Only key study personnel will have access to your personal information. No parent or child will ever be listed by name in a report of the results.

You will receive a $10 check and your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] will receive a $15 gift certificate after you have gone through the entire survey. You will receive a $10 check and your child will receive a $15 gift certificate again when you each complete this survey next year. You will receive a $20 check and your child will receive a $25 gift certificate when you each complete the survey the final year. If you complete the survey and then your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] chooses not to participate, we will still mail you $10 for your time.

Your child’s answers will help us understand how media may be affecting the behavior of young people. The results may be used by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to help design projects to stop youth violence. Some of the questions in the survey are about violence that your [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] may have seen in media and in real life. This could include things that have happened to [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q699] and things that [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q697] might have done. Some questions are about sex pictures [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q697] may have seen. We also will ask questions about substance use. In order to understand why some kids get into fights and other violence, we need to ask these questions of young people. Your child’s participation is completely voluntary and [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q697] can skip any questions that [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q697] doesn’t want to answer.

If you have questions about the research study, please contact:

The principal investigator, Dr. Michele Ybarra, at 1-877-302-6858 or Michele@ISolutions4Kids.org.

If you have questions about your rights or your child’s rights as a participant in research, or if you feel that you or your child have been harmed in any way by taking part in this research 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.

You can choose not to take part in the research study. You have the right to stop taking part in the research study at any time. If you choose to stop taking part in the research study, please call
or email the principal investigator so that she can take you off of the list of participants. Your child also has the right not to take part in the research study; [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q697] can choose to stop taking part in the research study at any time. If you or your child chooses not to participate in the research study, we will not re-contact you. Choosing not to take part will not in any way harm you or your child.

If you have read this form and know what the research study is about please print out the contact information now. You may also find the contact information in the email that we sent to you with the survey link.

Now, please select one of the options below. By selecting “Yes”, you agree to participate in the research study and also let your child take the survey. If you choose not to take the surveys, we have just a few more questions for you.

[1] Yes, I agree to take the surveys and I will let my [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] take the surveys.
[2] No, I do not agree to take the surveys and my [TEXT SUBSTITUTION BASED ON Q690] may not take part in the surveys.