Research ASSENT Form
Students Under 18

Health and Wellness Education: What Students Really Want to Know

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What is the purpose of this study?

You are invited to participate in a research study about what high school students think about their health and wellness education and their views about what should and should not be taught in sexual health education curriculum. You are being asked to participate because you are currently a high school student. This study has been approved by Purdue University's Institutional Review Board.

What will I do if I choose to be in this study?

If you agree to be in the study, you will be asked to participate in a focus group discussion and fill out a brief survey. Surveys take about 10 minutes to complete and are anonymous. Each focus group will last approximately 60 to 75 minutes. During this time, you will be asked to share in front of 5 or 6 others your views about sexual health education and health and wellness education. There are no right or wrong answers. We want to hear many different viewpoints and would like to hear from you and others. We hope you can be honest even when your responses may not be in agreement with the rest of the group. Out of respect for each other, we ask that responses made by all participants be kept confidential and focus group information not be discussed outside of this study.

☐ Yes, I want to participate in the **survey and the focus group.**

☐ Yes, I want to participate in the **survey only.**

☐ Yes, I want to participate in the **focus group only.**

For focus groups, the discussions will be audio recorded, and later transcribed, and analyzed. To be a part of the focus group you need to agree to be audiotaped. If you do not want to be audio recorded, you will not be allowed to continue with the study and will be thanked for your time and asked to leave the research site.

☐ By checking this box you have given us permission to record your voice during this discussion.

How long will I be in the study?

Each interview will last approximately 60 to 75 minutes. Surveys take about 10 minutes to complete.

What are the possible risks or discomforts?

This study represents no more than minimal risk to you however all research carriers the risk of breach of confidentiality. There are safeguards in place to prevent this risk and they are included in the Extent of Confidentiality section of this form. Other potential risks include discomfort about discussing views about sexual health education that could cause you to feel embarrassed or ashamed in front of others. If some of the questions asked may make you uncomfortable or upset, you are always free to decline to answer any question or to stop your participation at any time.

Are there any potential benefits?

There will be no direct benefit to you from participating in this study. The information you provide may inform the design and implementation of a future sexual health education curriculum that could be delivered in your high school.

Will information about me and my participation be kept confidential?

Reasonable efforts will be made to keep the personal information in your research record private and confidential. Any identifiable information obtained in connection with this study will remain confidential and will be disclosed only with

your permission or as required by law. Only the members of the research team, principal investigator, Dr. Marifran Mattson and co-investigators Jill Inderstrodt-Stephens, Sarah El-Azab, Ashleigh Shields, Mary Gokankonda, and Tanisha Harris, may access the data. The project's research records may be reviewed by departments at Purdue University responsible for regulatory and research oversight. Your name will not be used in any written reports or publications which result from this research. All identifying information, audio interviews, and written transcripts will be kept for three years in a locked cabinet in the PI's office in Beering Hall, room 2126, at Purdue University. All participants' identifying information such as signed consent forms will be kept in a separate locked cabinet from the interview data, in the PI's office. Only the principal and co-investigators will have access to it. Places and identifying information on transcribed data will be omitted or changed. The name of the county in which you go to school might be used. Your name will not be asked during the interview process. Data will be kept for three years (per federal regulations) after the study is complete and then destroyed.

Due to the nature of focus groups, participant identity may be known to other focus groups participants. Researchers will make all attempts to make sure participants in the focus group will respect the confidentiality of the group. In addition, your responses will not be associated with her/his identity in any written or oral form. All personal identifiers will be de-identified during analysis.

☐ By checking this box you agree to keep all comments made during the focus group confidential and you agree not to discuss what happened during the discussion outside the focus group.

Will I receive payment or other incentive?

You will receive a $5 gift card for your participation in the focus group. You will be awarded the gift card at the conclusion of the focus group session. If you decide to end your participation prior to the end of the focus group, you will not be provided a gift card. If you participate in the survey, you will have an opportunity to win a $25 gift certificate. The selected winner will be notified no later than seven days after participants take the survey.

What are my rights if I take part in this study?

Your participation in this study is voluntary. You may choose not to participate or, if you agree to participate, you can withdraw participation at any time without penalty or loss of benefits to which otherwise entitled.

Who can I contact if I have questions about the study?

If you have questions, comments or concerns about this research project, you can talk to one of the researchers. If you have any questions or concerns about your participation in this study, you should first contact the principal investigator Dr. Marifran Mattson at (765) 494-7596 or by e-mail at mmattson@purdue.edu or Tanisha Harris at 305-766-736 or by e-mail at harri490@purdue.edu.

If you have questions about your rights while taking part in the study or have concerns about the treatment of research participants, please call the Human Research Protection Program at (765) 494-5942, email (irb@purdue.edu)or write to:

Human Research Protection Program - Purdue University
Ernest C. Young Hall, Room 1032
155 S. Grant St.,
West Lafayette, IN 47907-2114

Documentation of Informed Consent

I have had the opportunity to read this consent form and have the research study explained. I have had the opportunity to ask questions about the research study, and my questions have been answered. I am prepared to provide my permission to participate in the research study described above. I know I can choose not to participate at any time. I can request a copy of this consent from by directly contacting the researchers with the information above.

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Participant's Signature Date

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Participant's Name

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Researcher's Signature Date