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Parent's or Guardian's Informed Consent/ Assent Form for Department Pool Participants Earning Money

Your child, _____, is invited to take part in a study named *Abilities*. The study is designed to learn more about how abilities differ on different psychological tasks. It is being conducted by Dr. David Amodio, who is the principal investigator, as part of faculty research.

If you give permission for your child to be in this study, your child will be asked to: 1) perform several computer tasks involving quick responses to different objects and pictures, 2) complete a set of short questionnaires, and 3) write a brief paragraph on a pre-assigned topic. We may also measure your child's skin responses with small sensors attached to your hand. Your child's participation will take about one hour. Your child will receive \$10 for completing this study. When your child completes the study, a thorough verbal and written explanation of it will be provided that you may ask to see.

There are no known risks associated with your child's participation in this research beyond those of everyday life. Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, it may make your child more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand how basic psychological processes are related to abilities.

Taking part in this study is voluntary. Not taking part or withdrawing after the study has begun will not affect your child's grade or academic standing in any way. If your child withdraws at any time, payment for the time your child spent in the study will be given (i.e., \$5 per half-hour). Your child has the right to skip or not answer any questions your child prefers not to answer.

Confidentiality of your child's research records will be strictly maintained by assigning unique, confidential identification number codes to your child's responses. Your child's responses will not be associated with your child's name, and will be pooled with the responses of other participants for analysis.

If there is anything about the study or your child's participation in it that is unclear or that you do not understand, or if you have questions or wish to report a research-related problem, you may contact the principal investigator, Dr. David Amodio, at 212-998-3875, david.amodio@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Pl., NY, NY 10003. For questions about your child's rights as a research participant, you may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), NYU, (212) 998-4808 or ask.humansubjects@nyu.edu.

You have received a copy of this document to keep.

Permission granted for my child's participation

Parent's or Guardian's Signature

Date

