TEACHER CONSENT FORM

Dr. Patricia Hardré in the Department of Educational Psychology at the University of Oklahoma, is conducting a research study to understand students' academic motivation. We are asking you to participate because teachers' beliefs and practices are important to understanding students' perceptions and motivation.

This study asks you to complete a set of surveys about your beliefs, perceptions, and classroom practices in one particular class that you teach. It will be completed during school hours and will take about 30 minutes. You are also invited to participate in a brief interview with us regarding what you believe influences your students' academic motivation. We will also ask your students to complete a set of questionnaires for that same class. This information will allow us to better understand how activities in and out of class may affect students' school-related motivation.

If you agree to participate in the study, you may choose to just complete the questionnaires, or to complete both the questionnaires and the interview. In order to better understand the responses of your students, we will also ask you to report to us the participating students' nine-week grades for that class.

Participation in this study is voluntary and there will be no negative consequences for teachers who do not participate. You may stop participating at any time, or only answer some of the questions. All information gathered in this study will be kept confidential. Information published or shared from this study will not include any participants' names. Questionnaires and interview tapes will be stored in a locked cabinet and then destroyed at the conclusion of the investigation. Being involved in this study poses no risk for you. Questionnaires do not ask about sensitive issues, and you will not be doing anything that is not normally a part of your school day. Both teachers and students may benefit from informing changes that are designed to increase students' academic motivation.

Please indicate on the following page whether you agree to participate in this study. If you have any questions about this study, please feel free to call me at work (405.325-8152) or at home (405.360-0201). If you have questions about your rights as a research participant you may call the OU-NC Institutional Review Board at 325-8110.

Thank you for supporting research to improve education in Oklahoma.

Sincerely,

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Educational Psychology

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YES, I agree to participate in the study, by completing the questionnaires.

NO, I do not agree to participate in the study.

To help keep our records accurate, we plan to record interviews on audio tapes. The tapes will be kept in a locked cabinet, transcribed for analysis, and destroyed at the completion of the study. Please select one of the options below:

[ ] YES, you may audio tape my interview
[ ] NO, you may not audio tape my interview

Teacher's name: __________________________________________

Signature: __________________________________________ Date: __________

Email address: __________________________________________ Telephone: __________

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