**DESCRIPTION:**

Your child is invited to participate in a research study on the efficacy and quality of the Bio 670 course (Exeter Academy), Sci574 (The Lawrenceville School), Res11/12 (Commack High School), Bio 670 (Pritzker College Prep). This involves answering questionnaires addressing your and your child’s demography, the current career interests of your child, and the effectiveness of the Bio670 course.

In addition, we also ask for the name and date of birth of your child to follow up on her/his college outcome, if applicable, later on. We will not publish or disclose the data associated with his/her name and/or date of birth. Your child will be asked to take three surveys, one before and one after Bio670/Sci574/Res 11/12, and a third long term follow up survey.

The participation or decline of the survey will have no effect on the Bio670/Sci574/Res 11/12 grade of your child, or on his/her other grades in other classes at the participating schools.

Purpose:The data will be anonymized and might be used for scientific publications, presentations or grant applications covering high-school and online education.

Procedures: Your child will be asked to take these surveys online.

**RISKS AND BENEFITS**:

There are noforeseeable risksto participants. The benefits which may reasonably be expected to result from this study include improvements of the class/course experience and effectiveness of future Bio670/Sci574/Res11/12 classes. We cannot and do not guarantee or promise that you or your child will receive any benefits from this study.

Your decision whether or not to allow your child to participate in this study will not affect your child's grades or participation in school.

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**TIME INVOLVEMENT:**

Your child’s participation will take approximately 20-30 minutes per survey. There will be three surveys.

**PAYMENTS:**

Your child will receive no payments.

**SUBJECT'S RIGHTS:**

If you have read this form and have decided to allow your child to participate in this project, please understand your child’s participation is voluntary and your child has the right to withdraw his/her consent or discontinue participation at any time without penalty or loss of benefits to which he/she is otherwise entitled. Your child has the right to refuse to answer particular questions.

Your child’s individual privacy will be maintained in all published and written data resulting from the study.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Questions, Concerns, or Complaints: If you have any questions, concerns or complaints about this **research study**, its procedures, risks and benefits, you should ask the Protocol Director, Prof Seung Kim, HHMI, Stanford School of Medicine, Department of Developmental Biology, Beckman Center, 279 Campus Drive West, Room B302, Stanford, CA 94305-5301, Phone: 650.723.6230, email: [seungkim@stanford.edu](mailto:seungkim@stanford.edu)

Independent Contact: If you are not satisfied with how this study is being conducted, or if you have any concerns, complaints, or general questions about the research or your rights as a participant, please contact the Stanford Institutional Review Board (IRB) to speak to someone independent of the research team at (650)-723-2480 or toll free at 1-866-680-2906. You can also write to the Stanford IRB, Stanford University, MC 5579, Palo Alto, CA 94304.

**Alternate Contact:** If you cannot reach the Protocol Director, please contact Lutz Kockel, Ph.D., Phone: (415) 994 0190, email: lkockel@stanford.edu

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Signature(s) of Parent(s), Guardian or Conservator Date

**The extra copy of this consent form is for you to keep.**