



ASSENT TO TAKE PART IN RESEARCH

TITLE OF RESEARCH: Family Content Creation: Understanding Families' Experiences

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Who are you and why are you meeting with me?

My name is Leah, and I am a student at Rutgers University. I am doing a project to learn about families who make videos and take pictures for social media, and kids who look at families' videos and pictures. Since you are at VidCon, I would love to talk to you! Please ask me or your parents if you have any questions.

What will happen if I take part?

We will have a conversation about social media. There are no right or wrong answers. If it's okay with you and your parents, I will audio record our talk so I can remember what we said later and type it up. You can tell me to stop recording at any time.

Will other people know what I say or do?

Someone who reads my project might guess who you are, especially if you or your family make videos or post pictures online. To protect your privacy, I will use a pretend name for you, and you can help me pick it! I might also change details, like your exact age. I will keep all my notes locked on my computer with a password so other people can't see them.

Can something bad happen to me if I take part?

Answering questions can sometimes be tiring. If you get tired or bored, you can tell me you want to take a break or stop talking completely. Also, you don't have to answer any question you don't like. It is completely fine with me to stop or say you do not want to answer a question!

Can something good happen to me?

You will not be given money or prizes for talking with me today, but you might have fun answering the questions and teaching me about your life!

Do I have to do this?

No, you do not. It is completely up to you. Even if your parents say yes, you can still say no. If you say yes now, you can always change your mind and stop at any time.

What if I have questions later?

You can ask me anything right now. If you or your parents need to reach me later, you can email me at leah.cates@rutgers.edu or call me at (413) 348-9712. You can also talk to my teacher, Dr. Amy Jordan (a.jordan@rutgers.edu), or the Rutgers office that keeps kids safe in research at irboffice@research.rutgers.edu.

For the Researcher's Records Only: I have read this form to the child in language they can understand, and they have given me their verbal agreement to participate.

Did the child agree to be audio recorded? > ☐ YES ☐ NO

Researcher Initials: _____ **Date:** _____