

AP Research Passive Parental Consent Form

Background:

AP Research is the second of two classes that make up the AP Capstone program. This class requires students to complete a yearlong research project involving the implementation of a research method, and culminates with a 4000-5000 word paper and a 20-minute presentation and oral defense. This year, six (6) AP Research students have pursued projects requiring input from JHS students.

Project Titles:

- “Acting White:” Black Students’ Pressure to Assimilate in Higher Level Courses
 - Social Media and Shifting Trends in Teenagers’ Political Efficacy
 - The Opportunity Gap in Virtual Learning at Jordan High School
 - Media Intelligence and Current Analytical Intelligence in High School Students
 - The Perception of YouTube as a Polarizing Medium
 - Regulating Role of Mindfulness in Managing Smartphone Addiction
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Researchers: JHS AP Research students

Sponsor: Mr. Samuel J. Bernhard, AP Research teacher

Purpose:

- The purpose of these studies is for the student researcher to demonstrate their understanding and application of academic research to the College Board.
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Procedures:

- If you agree to allow your student to participate in one or more of the studies listed above, they *may* be asked to complete online surveys asking about their experiences in JHS academic environments and/or their experiences with social media, the news, smartphones and YouTube.
 - The surveys will be completed remotely.
 - The time it will take for your student to complete the survey depends on the project; however, all specifics are laid out in *child assent* forms included in each survey.
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Risks/Benefits:

- There are no direct benefits to your student for participating in this research project.
 - Any indirect benefits coming from AP Research students’ success on their projects and/or improvements to JHS as a result of these studies outweigh potential risks to your student.
 - All six projects have been approved by an Institutional Review Board (IRB) made up of JHS teachers and administrators.
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Confidentiality:

- Your student’s name will not be collected or used in any manner.
 - These research projects are not being prepared for publication.
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Voluntary Participation:

- Participation in any of these studies is voluntary. There are no consequences for your student choosing not to participate.
 - All JHS students will be made aware of these studies through the Flex Friday website and weekly announcements.
 - If you wish for your student to **not participate** in one or more of these studies, please complete the [Google Form linked here](#).
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Contacts and Questions:

- If you have questions about AP Research or about any of these studies, please feel free to contact Mr. Samuel J. Bernhard via email at samuel_bernhard@dpsnc.net