

RE: Assessment of Hands on Future Tech Outreach Event

Dear Parent:

In order to understand the impact of the Hands on Future Tech outreach event, we are asking students and parents to complete a brief survey. Your participation in this survey will help us improve and expand our Hands on Future Tech event. Participants will not be asked to put their names on their survey; and the survey questions will be related to your (and your child's) experiences with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). We ask that you complete the consent form (please see last page) and bring it with you to our Future Tech event. Further details regarding the survey will be given at our event.

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**GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
CONSENT TO ACT AS A HUMAN RESEARCH SUBJECT**

Assessment of Hands-on Future Tech

You are being invited to allow your child to participate in a research study. Please read the information below and ask questions about anything you do not understand before deciding if you would like to allow your child to participate. A researcher listed below will be available to answer your questions.

RESEARCH TEAM

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PURPOSE OF STUDY

The purpose of this research study is to understand the effectiveness of combining educational material about science careers for both students and parents in the same program.

PARTICIPANTS

You and your child are eligible to participate in this study if you/they are attending the Hands-on Future Tech event. We anticipate approximately 100 students and 50 parents will participate in this study.

PROCEDURES

Before and after the Future Tech event, you and your child will be asked to complete surveys about your interest in and exposure to science.

RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS

This study involves no more than minimal risk. There are no known harms or discomforts associated with this study beyond those encountered in normal daily life.

BENEFITS

Your child will not directly benefit from participating in this study. However, your child might be more excited, engaged, or interested in science after the program. The results of this study will improve the science and education communities' understanding of the effectiveness of family-focused outreach initiatives.

COMPENSATION

You and your child will not be paid for participation in this research study.

CONFIDENTIALITY

No identifiable information about your child will be shared. All research data will be stored at a secure location at Georgia Tech. Only authorized individuals will have access to it. Electronic research data will be on a secure network with encryption and password protection. There is minimal risk of a breach of confidentiality.

The research team, authorized GT personnel, and regulatory entities such as the Georgia Tech Office of Research Integrity Assurance (ORIA) may have access to your child's study records to protect his or her safety and welfare. Any information derived from this research that personally identifies your child will not be voluntarily released or disclosed by these entities without your separate consent, except as specifically required by law. Research records provided to authorized, non-GT entities will not contain identifiable information about your child. Publications and/or presentations that result from this study will not include identifiable information about your child.

All data will be kept for three years in accordance with Georgia Tech's data management requirements.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

If you have any comments, concerns, or questions regarding the conduct of this research, please contact the research team listed at the top of this form. If you are unable to reach a member of the research team and have general questions, or you have concerns or complaints about the research study, please contact Georgia Tech's Office of Research Integrity Assurance by phone at (404) 385-2175, by email at kelly.winn@gtrc.gatech.edu, or in person at Georgia Institute of Technology, Research Administration Building, 505 Tenth Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30318.

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION STATEMENT- ASSESSMENT OF HANDS ON FUTURE TECH

You should not sign this form unless you have read it and have been given a copy of it to keep. **Your child's participation in this study is voluntary.** Your decision will not affect your child's future relationship with Georgia Tech. Your child may refuse to participate in the study or discontinue his or her involvement at any time without any consequences. Your signature below indicates that you have read the information in this consent form and have had a chance to ask any questions that you have about the study.

_____ Please check here if you would like your child to participate in the study.

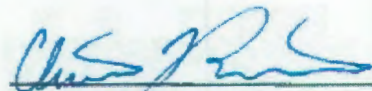
Child's printed name

Child's birthdate

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

Printed Name of Parent/ Legal Guardian



Researcher Signature

8-10-2016

Date

Christopher J. Parsons
Printed Name of Researcher

*Please return only this page to the Future Tech staff.