

## **Appendix B1**

**Participant Advance Email (Early Bird Incentive Treatment Condition)**

Dear [Participant Name],

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the YouthBuild Research Project in [MONTH] of [YEAR]! The YouthBuild Research Project is being led by researchers at MDRC and Mathematica Policy Research. The U.S. Department of Labor and the Corporation for National and Community Service are paying for the study.

We are writing to invite you to participate in a survey that is part of the YouthBuild Research Project. The survey will ask you about things like school and work and other activities you may be involved in.

Please click on the link to complete your survey as soon as possible:

<https://www.youthbuildresearch.com/survey1>

Your username and password are:

Username: [USERNAME]  
Password: [PASSWORD]

If you complete the survey within the next **two** weeks you will receive a gift card worth **\$40**. It can be used anywhere that credit or debit cards are accepted.

If you have any questions, please call us. Our phone number is **1-855-398-3300**. There is no cost for calling this number. You can also send us an e-mail at [survey@youthbuildresearch.com](mailto:survey@youthbuildresearch.com). Thanks again for agreeing to be a part of the study.

Sincerely,

Shawn E. Marsh  
Survey Director  
Mathematica Policy Research

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### **Participant Advance Email (Experiment Control Condition)**

Dear [Participant Name],

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the YouthBuild Research Project in [MONTH] of [YEAR]! The YouthBuild Research Project is being led by researchers at MDRC and Mathematica Policy Research. The U.S. Department of Labor and the Corporation for National and Community Service are paying for the study.

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Your username and password are:

Username:           [USERNAME]  
Password:           [PASSWORD]

To thank you for completing the survey, you will receive a gift card worth **\$25**. It can be used anywhere that credit or debit cards are accepted.

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