

APPENDIX C-1

PARENT CONSENT FORM (WEB-FIRST GROUP)



FACES CONSENT FORM

We invite you and your child to take part in the Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey 2014–2018 (FACES). We are inviting you because your child is in a Head Start program that is taking part in this study. FACES aims to learn more about families in Head Start and the services Head Start provides. This study will help Head Start serve all children and their families. The Administration for Children and Families, part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is funding FACES. Mathematica Policy Research, an independent firm, is conducting the survey.

If you agree to take part...

We will ask you to complete a survey this fall and in spring 2015 via the web. We will ask you about your child, your family's activities and routines, your feelings, and your health. These surveys will take about 20 minutes. We will conduct them in your language.

We will do some activities with your child so we can find out how Head Start helps children learn and grow. This fall and next spring, we will ask your child to do some fun activities with a trained researcher. For example, we will ask your child to look at pictures, copy drawings, and answer questions. This will take about 45 minutes. We will do the activities in English or if your child speaks Spanish, we can do the activities in whichever language your child knows best.

We will offer tokens of appreciation for your help. After you complete the survey online, as a thank you, we will send you a \$20 gift card. If you do not have internet access, you can complete the survey at your child's Head Start center during the week the FACES data collection team is present. If you complete the survey within three weeks of being asked to do so, you will receive an additional \$5, for a total of \$25. After your child completes the activities, we will give him or her a children's book as a special thank you.

We will ask your child's Head Start teachers some questions about your child and will observe your child's classroom. This will help us learn more about the progress your child is making in Head Start.

You can choose whether you and your child will be part of the study. Your participation is completely voluntary. All information collected during the course of FACES will be kept private to the extent permitted by law. Your choice will not affect the Head Start services you and your child receive. If at any point you decide to leave the study, that is okay. No one from Head Start will see or hear your answers or learn about how your child does on the activities. We will only report the results for parents and children as a group. However, if we learn that a child has been hurt or is in danger, we must by law report this to the appropriate authorities. This could result in legal action.

If you have questions about FACES, please call us toll free at 1-888-XXX-XXXX. A staff member will be happy to talk with you. If you have questions about your rights as a research volunteer, please call the New England Institutional Review Board toll free at 1-800-233-9570. You can find out more about FACES on the FACES website. Visit <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/hs/faces>.

We hope you will take part in this study. Please sign the attached consent form and return it to your child's teacher right away. Thank you!

I have read this consent form and understand what I am being asked to do.

I agree to have my child take part in this study. I also agree to have FACES researchers collect some information from my child's Head Start teacher. I will receive a \$20 gift card after each time I complete a survey online. If I complete a survey within three weeks of being asked to do so, I will receive an additional \$5, for a total of \$25. My child will also receive a children's book each time he or she is assessed. I may withdraw this consent at any time without penalty.

1. Child's name (print) _____

2. Parent/guardian signature _____ Today's date _____

3. Parent/guardian name (print) _____

4. Your relationship to child Mother Father Grandmother Other guardian

5. Home phone (____) _____

6. Cellular/other phone (____) _____

6a. Does your cellular phone plan have unlimited minutes?*

Yes No

6b. May we send you text messages?*

Yes No

7. Email address _____

8. Do you have access to a smart phone, laptop, computer or other device that gives you access to the Internet?

Yes No

9. Child's gender Male Female

10. Child's birthday _____

Month Day Year

11. What language does your child use most often at home?

English Spanish Other _____

12. What language would you like to use to complete your survey? English Spanish Other _____

*We may text or call you to remind you about the parent survey or child assessment.

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We will offer tokens of appreciation for your help. You will have the option to do the survey by phone or on the web. If you do not have internet access, you can complete the survey at your child's Head Start center during the week the FACES data collection team is present. After you complete the survey, as a thank you, we will send you a \$15 gift card. If you complete the survey within three weeks of being asked to do so, you will receive an additional \$5. If you complete the survey on the web, you will receive an additional \$5. Therefore, if you complete the survey on the web within the first three weeks, you could receive a total of \$25.. After your child completes the activities, we will give him or her a children's book as a special thank you.

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