

## CONSENT DOCUMENT FOR ENROLLING ADULT PARTICIPANTS IN A RESEARCH STUDY

Georgia Institute of Technology  
Project Title: Webinar Training for AP Computer Science Teachers  
Investigators: *Mark Guzdial, Barbra Ericson, Elizabeth Parrish*

Protocol and Consent Title: Webinar Training for AP Computer Science Teachers

Dear Subject,

You are being asked to be a volunteer in a research study.

### **Purpose:**

- The purpose of this study is to assess the effectiveness of on-line teacher training for AP Computer science teachers. We expect approximately 50 respondents and will accept no more than 1000.

### **Procedures:**

- Your participation is limited to this survey. You may respond to this survey for any session you attend.

### **Risks or Discomforts:**

- The risks involved are no greater than those involved in daily activities such as typing and operating a mouse.

### **Benefits:**

- You are not likely to benefit in any way from joining this study. We hope to improve our session from the feedback provided.

### **Compensation to You:**

- There is no compensation for participation.

### **Confidentiality:**

- No identifying information is requested on this survey. However, sessions are recorded and the date of the session is requested, which could make it easy to identify if you are the only participant in that session. The investigators will not review the recordings and will not attempt to identify the respondents to the surveys.

You should be aware that the experiment is not being run from a 'secure' https server of the kind typically used to handle credit card transactions, so there is a small possibility that responses could be viewed by unauthorized third parties such as computer hackers. In general, the web page software will log as header



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**Costs to You:**

- There are no costs to you, other than your time, for being in this study.

**In Case of Injury/Harm:**

- “If you are injured as a result of being in this study, please contact Principal Investigator, Mark Guzdial Ph.D., at telephone *404-894-5618*. Neither the Principal Investigator nor Georgia Institute of Technology has made provision for payment of costs associated with any injury resulting from participation in this study.

**Participant Rights:**

- Your participation in this study is voluntary. You do not have to be in this study if you don't want to be.
- You have the right to change your mind and leave the study at any time without giving any reason and without penalty.
- Any new information that may make you change your mind about being in this study will be given to you.
- You will be given a copy of this consent form to keep.

**Questions about the Study:**

- “If you have any questions about the study, you may contact Dr. Mark Guzdial at telephone *404-894-5618* or *guzdial@gatech.edu*

**Questions about Your Rights as a Research Participant:**

If you have any questions about your rights as a research participant, you may contact

Ms. Melanie Clark, Georgia Institute of Technology  
Office of Research Compliance, at (404) 894-6942.”

*[or]*

“Ms. Kelly Winn, Georgia Institute of Technology  
Office of Research Compliance, at (404) 385- 2175.”

If you complete the online survey it means that you have read -- or have had read to you -- the information contained in this letter and would like to be a volunteer in this research study.

Thank you,



*Mark Guzdial*  
*Elizabeth Parrish*

