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Sydney School of Education and Social Work

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

**18th March 2024**

Dear [Name of School]

I hope this letter finds you all well. This is Annie Webster, an Education Research Fellow from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, School of Social Work and Education at the University of Sydney, Australia. I am inviting your school to participate in our current research project “Artificial Intelligence, Policy Futures and Schooling” conducted across three study sites – Australia, Finland and France.

The main aim is to work with important people in schools, like students and teachers, to create policy ideas, ethical frameworks to guide the use of AI in schools. It highlights the importance of including diverse perspectives and experiences from important stakeholders in education when making AI policies about what values are important in education.

We would like to invite your school as a pilot school in Australia in this global research endeavour.

With the school's willingness, there are opportunities for piloting schools in Australia and Finland to form a long-term transnational education network/partnership through this project.

### **About the Research Outcomes**

We want to learn from teachers, students, and school leaders to help develop AI policy guidelines. With your willingness, the results might be shared as policy consultation paper and reports to help shape AI policy guidelines in schools at local and global levels.

With your willingness, this collaboration endeavour might also be shared in local and global educational journals.

We have ethics approval from the University of Sydney for this study [Approval no: 2024/138].

### **About the Research Activities:**

The project includes a workshop for students and interviews with them afterward.

- We plan to co-design the workshop with schoolteachers to align project initiatives with the school curriculum and transdisciplinary pedagogical practices.
- We plan to have one workshop for 20-25 students from one year group (Year 7-Year 9). We'll choose the year group based on what you think is best to be involved in the project.
  - a. The workshop will be about 90 minutes long, with a short break.
  - b. Interviews with students will last 20-30 minutes each.

### **Research Instruments and Documentation:**

Attached to this letter, you will find project brief which provide comprehensive insights into the study's scope, procedures, and participant involvement.

### **Your Rights:**

Your school's participation is entirely voluntary. You have the right to withdraw from the research at any stage, without any problems.

### **Participant Info and Consent:**

We'll provide clear information and consent forms to everyone involved. Participation is completely voluntary. The school can withdraw from the project at any time without any adverse consequences. This action will not affect current or future relationships with the researchers or anyone else at The University of Sydney and affiliated institutions involved in this project.

If you have any questions or need more information, please email me at [annie.webster@sydney.edu.au](mailto:annie.webster@sydney.edu.au).

Thank you for considering this invitation and opportunities. I hope we can work together on these important global initiatives.

Sincerely,

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