

Principal Participant Consent Form

Research study: Implications of the HSC serving dual purposes, secondary exit and tertiary entrance.

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I agree to take part in this research study. In giving my consent, I confirm that that:

- The details of my involvement have been explained to me, and I have been provided with a written Participant Information Statement to keep.
- I understand the purpose of this study is to investigate perceptions of the dual purposes of the HSC and how these perceptions impact students' stress levels and preferences for system improvements.
- I acknowledge that the risks and benefits of participating in this study have been explained to me to my satisfaction.
- I understand that participation involves any of my interested Year 12 students completing a survey and potentially a 30-minute interview that will involve audio recording on a phone.
- I understand that participation will also involve conducting these interviews in Term 1 on school premises, potentially outside of school hours on school days, as will be discussed with the researcher to maximise convenience for my students and school.
- I understand that in this study I may choose to nominate a contact staff member who will liaise with the researcher, rather than me.
- I understand that being in this study is completely voluntary for me and my students.
- I am assured that my decision to participate will not have any impact on my relationship with the research team, the University of Sydney or any other school I am affiliated with.
- I understand that I am free to withdraw from this study at any time and that I can choose to withdraw any information that has already provided (unless the data has already been de-identified or published).
- I have been informed that the confidentiality of the information provided will be protected and will only be used for purposes that I have agreed to. I understand that information identifying me will only be told to others with my permission, except as required by law.
- I understand that the results of this study may be published, and that publications will not contain my name, my school or any other identifiable information about me.

- I confirm the following:

I consent to my school's participation in the study by allowing any interested Year 12 students to participate in a survey or interview

Yes ☐ No ☐

I consent to these interviews being conducted on school premises

Yes ☐ No ☐

I consent to nominating a contact staff member

Yes ☐ No ☐

I consent to being contacted for future studies

Yes ☐ No ☐

I would like feedback on the overall results of this study

Yes ☐ No ☐

If you answered **yes** to nominating a contact staff member, please provide their name and preferred contact details (email/telephone):

If you answered **yes** to receiving feedback or being contacted in future, please provide your preferred contact details (email/telephone/postal address):

- I understand that after I sign and return this consent form it will be retained by the researcher, and that I may request a copy at any time.

Principal Name

School Name

Signature

Date
