

## **Informed Consent: Middle Years Computer Science (MyCS) Surveys**

You are being asked to participate in a research project – by using CS materials – conducted by Harvey Mudd College.

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this study is to understand the benefits of developing computer science skills at the middle school level and beyond. We know that most middle-school students enjoy *using* technology. We are measuring how much middle-school students enjoy *creating* technology, particularly software. Computer science is one of the fastest-growing professional fields, and this project will help students better understand what computer science is and what opportunities it can offer.

**PARTICIPATION:** You will be asked to complete an Institutional Review Board approved pre- and post-survey about computing. The survey should take less than 10 minutes to complete.

**RISKS & BENEFITS:** We do not foresee any risks to you. You will be helping us – and others – learn computer science.

**COMPENSATION:** There is no compensation for involvement in this study.

**VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION:** Please understand that participation is completely voluntary and you may change your mind at any time.

**CONFIDENTIALITY:** Your individual privacy will be maintained in all publications or presentations resulting from this study. All survey data is anonymized.

If you have any questions or would like additional information about this research, please contact me, Dr. Zachary Dodds, at 909-607-1813, Dept. of Computer Science, Harvey Mudd College, 1250 N. Dartmouth Ave., Claremont, CA 91711, [dodds@cs.hmc.edu](mailto:dodds@cs.hmc.edu) You can also contact the CGU Institutional Review Board, which is administered through the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP), has approved this project. You may also contact ORSP at (909) 607-9406 with any questions.

By signing (placing your name) in the previous page's textbox, you are acknowledging that you understand the above information and have had all of my questions about participation on this research project answered; you voluntarily consent to take our survey.

Signature of Participant     From webform

Date From webform

Printed Name of Participating Student     From webform

Signature of Researcher     Zachary B. Dodds (on file)