

The 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development: Replication

A Research Study by Tufts University & Boston College

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

About Our Study

Researchers of youth development have started a new study examining adolescents' beliefs, behaviors, and involvement in youth development programs. This study aims to understand how youth develop in positive ways.

From 2002 to 2012, Professors Richard Lerner and Jacqueline Lerner conducted the 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development (PYD), a study of thriving across the adolescent years. The findings from the 4-H Study of PYD have been adopted across the nation and the world! With this new study, we aim to find out if the findings from the original study can be applied to current adolescents.

How to Take Part

We are asking 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade youth in New York State to fill out a 30-40 minute survey. The survey has questions about activities, opinions, and behaviors. We will also be giving follow-up surveys across the next year. Youth will complete the surveys online. In order for your child to be a part of the study, you will need to fill out an online permission/consent form. The form will also ask for your consent to collect some basic demographic information from you.

All the information we collect is completely confidential. Participation is completely voluntary.

Youth Compensation

Youth will receive a \$15 gift card for taking the first survey, a \$20 gift card for taking the second, and a \$25 gift card for the third!

**Please watch for information that will be emailed to you soon!
Those materials will have instructions about how to take part in
the study.**

Thank you!!

Your help is what makes our research possible!

Please reach out to the project director, Dr. Mary Buckingham, if you have any questions about the study.

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