

2021 BC/Yukon Virtual Science Fair Letter of Information

Note to Science Fair students: This letter must be presented to potential human participants in your project. They must read it before they sign the consent form. A copy must also be submitted to the Ethics Committee of the 2021 BC/Yukon Virtual Science Fair at ethics@sciencefairs.ca

Your project must be approved before you begin getting people to sign consent forms.

1.

Project Title				
	First Name	Last Name	Email	Phone
Student 1				
Student 2				
Adult Supervisor				
Scientific Supervisor				

2. What is the purpose/goal of your project?

3. What are the benefits of participating?

4. What are the risks of participating? (mention allergic reactions if that is a possibility)

5. What is the time commitment required?

6. What is the remuneration for participating? (Policy states there cannot be any remuneration/reward for taking part)

7. How will confidentiality of data be ensured?

8. Withdrawing from the project can be done by:

9. Results of the project can be obtained by:

10. Ethics Approval has been provided by:

Letter of Information - Instructions

1. Researcher and Advisors

Give the name(s) of the investigator(s); school; project title; the Adult Supervisor's name, email address and telephone number.

2. Purpose of the Research

Describe the purpose of this research. Outline exactly what the participants will be required to do, so that they can make an informed decision.

3. Benefits from Participating

Define the potential benefits to the participant or to society from participating.

4. Risks from Participating

Discuss the possible risks to the participant from participating.

5. Time Commitment Required

Give the time each participant will contribute to the project.

6. No Remuneration

No remuneration or reward will be paid. It is the policy of Youth Science Canada that incentives not be offered for participation in projects displayed at either Regional Science Fair, the Canada Wide Science Fair, or International Science Fairs.

7. Confidentiality of Data

How will the confidentiality of the data be guaranteed?

8. Withdrawing from the Project

Explain that each participant has the right to withdraw from the project at any time, and for any reason. Describe how the participant communicates the decision to withdraw from the study.

9. Results

Explain how the results of the research will be communicated to the participant

10. Ethics Approval

Explain who has given the Ethics Approval for this project.

11. Distribution

Give a copy of this letter to each of the participants in your study