My name is Kira Carbonneau. I am from Washington State University. I am inviting you to take part in a research study. Your parent(s) are receiving the same information about the study. This form will tell you about the study to help you decide whether or not you want to take part in it.

What is this study about?
In this study, we want to learn about how you think about yourself in relation to science content.

What am I being asked to do?
If you decide to be in the study, we will ask you to:
• Respond to 10 statements by circling how much you agree or disagree with what it says.
• Participate in the days activities and then complete the same form at the end of the day.

What are the benefits to me for taking part in the study?
Taking part in this research study may not help you in any way, but it might help us learn about what middle school students think they can do in science.

Can anything bad happen if I am in this study?
We think there are few risks to you, but some kids might become bored or tired while answering some questions. It is important to know that you do not have to answer any of the questions you do not want to answer.

Who will know that I am in the study?
We won’t tell anybody that you are in this study and everything you tell us and do will be anonymous. You will drop your paper in a box and no one will know any of your responses.

Do I have to be in the study?
No, you do not. The choice is up to you. No one will get angry or upset if you do not want to do this. And you can change your mind anytime if you decide you do not want to be in the study anymore.
What if I have questions?
If you have questions at any time, you can ask me and you can talk to your parent about the study. We will give you a copy of this form to keep. If you want to ask us questions about the study, call or email:
Kira Carbonneau
509-335-2324
kira.carbonneau@wsu.edu

The Washington State University Institutional Review Board has reviewed this study to make sure that the rights and safety of people who take part in the study are protected. If you have questions about your rights in the study, or you are unhappy about something that happens to you in the study, you can contact them at (509) 335-3668 or irb@wsu.edu.

Do you have any questions about the study now?

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IF YOU WANT TO BE IN THE STUDY, SIGN AND PRINT YOUR NAME ON THE LINE BELOW:

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Sign your name Date

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Print your name

Statement of Person Obtaining Assent
I have carefully explained to the child taking part in the study what he or she can expect.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the child understands the purpose, procedures, potential risks and benefits of the study and his or her rights as a participant.
I also certify that he or she:
• Speaks the language used to explain the research
• Reads well enough to understand this form or, if not, this child is able to hear and understand when the form is read to him or her
• Does not have any problems that could make it hard to understand what it means to take part in this research.

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Signature of person obtaining assent Date