STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

Title of Project: [Insert project title here]

The Study: I am a researcher/ PME/M.Ed./Ph.D. student in the School of Education, Trinity College Dublin. As part of my work/course, I am carrying out research in the area of [include area of study here]. This thesis is investigating [describe some of the issues under investigation here].

Participation information: If you agree to take part in this study, you will be asked to complete a questionnaire and to take part in an audio-recorded interview. The questionnaire will take about 20 minutes and the interview will take 30 minutes to 1 hour. Both will take place during school hours. I can foresee no risks for your participation in the study, beyond those experienced in everyday life. The information gathered will be treated with privacy and anonymity. No information regarding you will be revealed in the research. Information will be stored safely with access only available to the research team and examiners and it will all be destroyed after 10 years. The anonymised results from the study will be included in a thesis and may be discussed at conferences or published in a book or a journal.

You don’t have to take part in this study if you don’t want to and you can withdraw from the study at any time, without saying why. If you have any questions or if you don’t understand something just ask the researcher to explain it for you.

Finally, thank you taking time to read this.

Researcher Contact details: ________________________________

Supervisor Contact details: ________________________________

Comment [A1]: Introduce the researcher, the supervisor (if applicable) and the project.

Comment [A2]: Describe the project and fieldwork instruments. State how long participation will take, when it will take place and the nature of any disruption to class time, as applicable.

Comment [A3]: State the relevant risks for participants.

Comment [A4]: Describe provisions for confidentiality, anonymity, access to data, data storage and destruction.

Comment [A5]: Describe what results will be used for.

Comment [A6]: Outline participants’ right to refuse and to withdraw.

Comment [A7]: Provide contact details for the researcher and the supervisor, as relevant.
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You are under no obligation to participate in this study. If you agree to participate, but at a later stage feel the need to withdraw, you are free to do so.

Please answer all of the following (tick the appropriate box):

I have read and understood the information sheet. □ □

I understand what the project is about, and what the results will be used for. □ □

I am fully aware of all of the procedures involving and of any risks and benefits associated with the study. □ □

I know that my participation is voluntary and that I can withdraw from the project at any stage without giving any reason. □ □

I am aware that my results will be kept anonymous. □ □

I agree to participate in the above study:

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Signature of Student                        Date

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Signature of Researcher                    Date