Informed Consent Example

Please read this form carefully.

I state that I am 18 years of age or older and wish to participate in research being conducted by John Smith and Sarah Jones at the Department of Psychology, Missouri Southern State University.

The purpose of this research is to study how factors affect workplace performance. Before starting the experiment, if I wish to participate, I will be given a separate form following this one that will ask me to provide my demographic information (gender and age). This separate form will not require my name or any other identifying information. I will be asked to screw lids onto uncapped water bottles and place the newly capped water bottles into a box. I understand the time that it takes me to finish 50 water bottles in the fashion stated above will be recorded by a standard stopwatch. I understand that this experiment will take a maximum of 15 minutes of my time.

I understand that the potential benefit of this experiment is 3 extra credit points for a specified class. I understand that this experiment is not designed to help me personally, but instead is designed to gain a better understanding of how factors affect workplace performance.

I understand that my participation is voluntary and I have the right to withdraw at any time during the experiment, without penalty. I understand I can ask questions before and after the experiment is conducted. I understand that all responses I provide will be kept confidential and anonymous.

No adverse effects are expected in this experiment. I understand that if I have any adverse effects or any kind I can contact the research supervisor William James at James-W@mssu.edu, or by phone, (417) 625-5555.

I agree that I am 18 years of age or older and by signing and dating below I consent to participate in this study.

Print Name ____________________________

Signature ____________________________  Date ____________________________