

School of Occupational Therapy, Social Work & Speech Pathology
Participant letter

Hello!

We are doing a study of young people in CARE schools. We are asking for your help with the project because we need to collect information about the talking and listening skills of students in Years 7-10.

Would you like to be a part of our research project?

What will I be asked to do?

A researcher will come to your school during Term 3 or 4 this year and do some tasks with you. It will take 2 visits of between 30 and 45 minutes each.

Do I have to take part?

No, you do not have to take part. If you do take part, you can change your mind at any time you want to.

What if I want to change my mind about taking part?

If you decide that you do not want to take part in the project, just let your teacher or your parents/carer know, and they will tell me.

The information from this project will be stored in a safe place at Curtin University until you are 25 years old. You can change your mind about being in this project during that time. If you change your mind, we will destroy your information from the project.

What will you do with the information I give you?

We will write down the answers you give for the tasks, or audio-record some longer answers so we can write them down later and then destroy the recording. We will then combine all of these answers from all the different students and write down the findings in a report. When we do this, we won't write or tell anyone your name or the name of your school.

How can I be a part of this project?

Please talk to your parents/carer about this research project and ask them any questions. If you do want to be part of this project, please let your parents/carer know and read and sign the consent form below. This letter is for you to keep.

Thank you

Curtin University Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) has approved this study. Should you wish to discuss the study with someone not directly involved, in particular, any matters concerning the conduct of the study or your rights as a participant, or you wish to make a confidential complaint, you may contact the Ethics Officer on (08) 9266 9223 or the Manager, Research Integrity on (08) 9266 7093 or email hrec@curtin.edu.au.

