



Informed Consent
eNLVM (Interactive Online Mathematics Lessons)

Dear Parent,

In your child’s math class, interactive web-based materials will be used to teach some of the topics being covered. The materials are being developed as part of a project funded by the National Science Foundation called the eNLVM. The materials are designed to be effective and motivating. For more information about the eNLVM research project, please see <http://enlvm.usu.edu/>.

As part of the use of the materials in your child’s class, researchers will gather data that can be used to validate the effectiveness of the materials and to guide further refinement of them. Data will be gathered from students using surveys, informal interviews in the classroom, observations, and computer records. All recording and reporting of gathered data will utilize IDs and aliases that researchers can not track back to individual students. There are no anticipated risks in this study.

Your child is not required to participate in the research study. If you give permission and your child doesn’t want to participate; your child will not be required to take part. If your child does not participate in the study, they will be given other relevant work to do during the time that the study is being conducted. Even though you give permission for your child to participate now, you may decide at any later point to withdraw your permission. In that case, any data gathered from your child will be discarded and not analyzed or reported.

Please indicate whether or not you give permission for your child to participate in eNLVM research by you and your child signing and returning this letter. You have been given two copies of this Informed Consent. Please sign both copies and retain one copy for your files. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

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Date

Student’s Name: _____ Please return this form by: _____

_____ Yes I give permission for data to be gathered from my child as part of eNLVM research.

_____ No, I do not give permission for data to be gathered from my child.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Youth Assent: I understand that my parent(s) have given permission for me to participate in this study. If I decide not to, no one will be upset with me. I can ask any questions I may have and the teacher will help me understand what I’m supposed to do. By signing below I agree to be a part of this study.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

