Photo and Audio and Video Tape Consent Form

Students and faculty are interested in producing materials that can help to inform other teachers and education students about how we can engage children in more complex learning in science and other subject matter areas. The projects may involve using audio recording, photographs, and videotapes to demonstrate innovative approaches to teaching. The types of uses for these recording are outlined below.

Types of Uses for Which Consent is Requested

1. **Educational purposes** – Often recordings of classrooms and other types of interactions are very helpful in demonstrating specific ideas about teaching and learning to students and other audiences. Extreme care will be taken to not compromise any individual’s integrity. If there is any doubt, either such recordings will not be used or the individuals (or parents of such individuals) will be contacted to review such recordings prior to use. Only the investigator (Dr. Jeff Bloom) in these projects will use these recordings for educational purposes.

2. **Extended educational purposes** – These purposes are similar to those in item 2, but allow other educators to use such material. Such uses are not intended for general distribution, but are intended to allow for the specific requests of other educators. Once again, extreme care will be taken to assure that such uses maintain the integrity of the individuals involved and that the educator is well informed about how such recordings can and cannot be used. If necessary, the consenting individual will be contacted prior to such distribution.

3. **Presentations at professional conferences and meetings** – Use of recordings to demonstrate key concepts in teaching and learning are useful in communicating effective practices to a wider audience. Such uses can help to promote better educational practices in Canada, the U.S., and world. As with the previous purposes, great care will be taken to assure each individual’s integrity. Any doubts will be discussed with the involved individuals (and/or parents). Only the investigator (Jeff Bloom) will use recordings for such purposes.

4. **Professional publications** – As with any educational or research work, it is important to communicate new insights and successful practices to other educators and researchers. Transcripts (with anonymity assured) and recorded images again can be helpful in demonstrating such insights and practices. Such publications may include professional research journals, teacher professional journals, and books intended for researchers, teachers, teachers-in-training, or the informed and interested public. Although video and audio recordings are not included in this use, except where a single, still video image is extracted or where transcripts and descriptions are recorded in writing, great care will be taken to maintain each individual’s integrity. Such uses will be under the direct control of the investigator (Dr. Jeff Bloom). Where there is any doubt, the individual or parents will be contacted. In addition, I am working on a second edition of an elementary science teaching methods textbook, which is used throughout Canada and the United States. The publishers wants me to supply a few photographs that can be used in the textbook to represent various aspects of children’s engagement in science. Consent for this particular use will be especially helpful.
5. **Web and other electronic displays** – A major aspect of the AzTEC work at the Center of Excellence in Education at Northern Arizona University and among the statewide efforts is to record “best practices” in teaching and other key components of the projects. Short video segments, photographs, and audio recordings may be placed on the web or CD-ROMs for use by other teacher educators, researchers, teachers, and teachers-in-training. Such uses provide an important mechanism for educators and researchers to access recordings of insightful teaching practices and evidences of student learning and engagement in science inquiry. In addition, recordings of the Parents Group can help to communicate the concerns of parents to wider audiences. In the case of the Parents Group, as well as other aspects of AzTEC, participants will be encouraged to make the decisions about what is or is not included, as well as to help design and develop the web pages and other electronic displays.

6. **Publicizing or promoting educational events and practices** – This particular use may include using recorded images to promote or publicize a specific educational event at Queen’s University or Northern Arizona University, to publicize particular projects, or to promote support for science education endeavors. Such uses may be made through Queen’s University or Northern Arizona University channels or through the public media. Again, extreme care will be taken to assure the maintenance of individual integrity.

On the attached permission form, there are two options or levels of permission for each of the seven levels of usage. The first level of permission allows the investigator, Dr. Jeff Bloom, to make decisions about the use of recorded images and voices. The second level of permission, allows the individual or parent of an individual to make decisions on a case by case basis (except for the first use, “research data collection and analysis”). In conducting these projects, it may be difficult not to record individuals who do not consent to any use of video or audio recording. If an individual or parent does not provide such consent for the first use, any images or voices recorded will be blurred or otherwise deleted as soon as is physically possible. In the cases of other uses, where an individual or parent does not consent to the such use and the individual is included in an excerpt with individuals who have consented, the specific non-consenting individual’s face and/or voice will be blurred or deleted. If such actions cannot be done, then such excerpts will not be used.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Keep the above information for your records.

* Please return completed form, below, to Dr. Jeff Bloom or your child’s teacher as soon as possible.*
Arizona Teaching Excellence Coalition (AzTEC)
Dr. Jeff Bloom, College of Education, Northern Arizona University
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Name of photo subject: __________________________________
Name of parent: ____________________________________ Date: __________

Levels of Permission

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Participant or Parent and Child’s Signatures Date

Street Address

City State Zip/Postal Code

Phone Number Email Address

The information below to be completed by AzTEC staff. Additional information to be added to the back of this form.

Photo description: ___________________________ Photo #: ___________________