

Consent Form to participate in Edo SUBEB and World Bank Study “AI for Youth in Edo”

First and last name (of one of the parents/guardians of the student):

First and name of the student

Dear Parent/ Guardians,

In order for your daughter or son to participate in the “AI for Youth in Edo” Program your consent will be required. Please consider this information carefully before deciding whether you will allow their participation.

Purpose of the program: The program aims to use Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the classroom by using Microsoft’s Copilot as a tutor to enhance the English lessons students receive. Teachers and monitors will supervise and guide students in the use of AI.

Ethical use of AI: As emerging technologies like AI become more prevalent, our goal is to create a learning environment where AI technologies empower rather than replace the human aspects of education. We embrace these technologies cautiously to prepare students for a future where these technologies are everywhere. This program will not only test AI but will guide the safe, effective, and responsible use of these tools for student learning. After careful consideration, we have established the following principles:

1. **Support Education Goals for All:** AI will be thoughtfully used to enhance outcomes for every student under the supervision of their teacher.
2. **Privacy & Security:** AI use will align with regulations protecting student data privacy, safety, and accessibility.
3. **AI Literacy:** Students and teachers will build skills to critically evaluate and utilize AI technologies ethically. As part of this program reflection exercises will be included
4. **Academic Integrity:** Students will produce original work and properly credit sources, including AI tools. Students will be aware of when and where is not appropriate to use AI.
5. **Maintain Human Agency:** AI will provide support, not replace educator and student discretion in decisions.
6. **Continuous Evaluation:** We will routinely monitor AI use, teachers and monitors are instructed to raise any issue with the research team.

What will this require: If you decide for your daughter or son to participate in this program this will include attending weekly one to one and a half hours weekly sessions where they will use AI in the school’s computer labs. Each session will be led by teacher(s) and include a section where students can pose questions to receive guidance. As part of the program photos may also be taken - though you can choose to not have their photo taken by not checking the box below. Photos may be used in promotional activities conducted by the World Bank or Edo SUBEB.

Timeframe of the program: Week of June 3rd, 2024 till July 5th, 2024.

Risks: No major risks are anticipated.

Benefits: The program aims to explore if the controlled use of AI as part of the school day may have the potential to enhance learning outcomes. Findings from this program can be used to benefit students in Edo, Nigeria, and Africa.

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Confidentiality: The identity of the students and evaluation results will be protected and anonymized. At no time will identity of any student be revealed. Participants will be assigned a random numerical code. Anyone on the research team who transcribes or does analysis will only use this code. Average results of this program may be used in publications, blogs, papers and reports by the World Bank.

Participation and withdrawal: Your participation in this study is completely voluntary, and you may refuse to participate or withdraw from the study without penalty. You may withdraw by informing the teacher that your son or daughter no longer wish to participate (no questions will be asked).

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility of the above-named participant, do hereby consent and agree to his/her participation, grant of permission and release as provided above.

Agreement:

- ☐ The nature and purpose of this research have been sufficiently explained and I agree for my daughter or son to participate in this study. I understand that I am free to withdraw at any time without incurring any penalty.
- ☐ I agree to have their photo taken (optional).

Signature: _____ Date: _____