Revisions for IRB application #2009J7241: Social Capital, Civic Engagement of Marginalized Youth on MySpace

Reviewer #1: 02/26/09 11:45:57: Applicants did a good job responding to the reviewer comments. However, the new consent form lost many of the required items that were in the original consent form (e.g., IRB contact information). Applicants need to look at the consent checklist on the IRB website and revise the consent/assent forms so that they meet all of the requirements. The checklist can be found here: http://www.txstate.edu/research/irb/irb\_checklist.php

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Reviewer #2: 03/06/09 16:21:05: The revised consent form for students is missing several required elements, including detailed information about the survey (length of time to complete, number of items); a statement that respondents may choose not to answer any survey question; contact information for the IRB chair; and a statement that results will be made available if requested. All consent & assent forms should include the IRB approval number.

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2. IRB approval # (we have put in the application number pending approval) added to the footer of each document.

Attachments for 3.07.09 revisions:

1) This summary of revisions

2) Revised consent form for 18 years old

3) Revised parental consent form

4) Revised assent form