

Informed Consent

"Teachers Perspective on Trauma and Resilience" is a narrative inquiry conducted by Jacob Campbell for coursework related to TSD 6660 - Narrative Research, which is a part of the requirements for a Doctorate of Transformative Studies at the California Institute of Integral Studies. The purpose of this research project is to explore and better understand the view points and understanding a teacher working with students who have emotional and behavioral disabilities (EBD) related to trauma and resilience of their students.

You are being offered the opportunity to engage in an interview, which the researcher will ask open-ended questions to further explore your perspectives regarding student with EBD. This will last no longer than 60 minutes and will be audio-recorded. A time will be scheduled convenient for you and the researcher. The topics of the interview will include the following: your perspective your engagement with students who have EBD, the lens that you see these students through and their behaviors, your mental model of trauma and the impact it has on students, and you see reinforcing resiliency in students. There are no right or wrong answers, rather the researcher is solely interested in your honest opinions and beliefs. During that time, you will be invited to talk in a manner you find safe and comfortable concerning your personal story.

For the protection of your privacy, all information will be kept strictly confidential and your identity will be protected within the limits of the law. The research procedure is designed to not collect unnecessary identifiers, and personal information will be kept separate from the interview data. The interviewer will also ask you to refrain from giving names and when necessary use pseudonyms when referring to any other persons in the interview. Your request to omit particular details that you specify to the interviewer will be honored. Big Blue Button is the preferred online platform user for video calls, and is protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). As with any online related activity, the risk of a breach of confidentiality is always possible. To the best of our ability this study will remain confidential. To minimize risk, all data collected will be stored on password protected computers. Cloudbased data storage and Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) will be enabled.

Only the principal researcher, Jacob Campbell, and his faculty instructor, Dr. John Scott PhD, will have access to the data associated with this study. Dr. Scott will not see data associated with a name unless you give permission in this consent form. A copy of the signed confidentiality statement will be sent to you via email. Electronic data will be password protected, and hard copy data will be stored in a locked area accessible only by the principal investigator and destroyed within three years of completion of this research project. In the publication or presentation of the findings, no information that could personally identify you will be used unless you give consent. Data will be published in written for this course assignment, but may also be included in a doctoral dissertation, or other publication.

There are no reasonably foreseeable risks or negative consequences of participating in this research other than talking about personal experiences, and the time/energy commitment to

complete the interview. For your participation, no direct benefit, including any monetary recompense or treatment, is offered or guaranteed. If you choose to take part, your contribution will help increase our general awareness of teacher views of trauma and resilience. Based on the experiences of participants in similar research studies, you may find the interview affords an enjoyable opportunity for reflection and self-expression.

Participation in this study is completely voluntary. If you decide to participate, you may refuse to answer any question(s), withdraw your consent, and/or discontinue your participation at any time and for any reason without penalty or prejudice. You may also request a summary of the research findings by providing a mailing address along with your signature below.

This research has been reviewed and approved by the faculty of California Institute of Integral Studies, Dr. Scott. If you have any concerns or are dissatisfied at any time with any part of the study, you may report your concerns (anonymously, if you wish) to him by email jscott@ciis.edu.