

Letter of Information

Project Title: East and Southeast Asian Canadian Experiences in Ontario Education

Investigator:

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Purpose of the Research:

- The purpose of this study is to examine how East and Southeast Asian Canadian histories, experiences and contributions are reflected in the Ontario curriculum for Grades 7-12. It also seeks to understand educators' perspectives and concerns, identify barriers to implementing an inclusive curriculum, and to explore the needed resources and support for curriculum development and delivery that promote equity, diversity, and inclusion.
- This study comprises two phases. This Phase, which is Phase I, consists of a survey of up to 1000 Grades 7-12 public school teachers, school administrators, and school board senior staff in Ontario. Phase II will consist of semi-structured interviews with 50 of these educators to further understand their experiences, insights and suggestions related to the inclusion of East and Southeast Asian Canadian experiences in Ontario education. This letter of information is to invite participants to engage in Phase I of the study.

Procedures:

- It will take you about 10 minutes to complete this survey. The survey will ask both multiple choice questions and short answer questions about your thoughts, and a short section about demographic information.

Potential Risks:

- There is no anticipated risk for participating in this study.

Potential Benefits:

- There is no direct benefit to you from participating in this study. We hope this research will provide important empirical data in support of an inclusive curriculum and school culture, which will benefit the community and beyond.

Data Privacy and Security:

- The survey data will be collected using SurveyMonkey's Anonymous Responses collector option. Your answers will be securely stored in SurveyMonkey's SOC 2 accredited data centers that adhere to security and technical best practices.
- Any personal data collected in the survey may be transferred to various countries, including the United States and other locations Momentive has offices. Please review the Momentive Privacy Notice.
- Your answers will be stored on a secure, password-protected computer used by the CPAC Institute after being exported from SurveyMonkey. Only the research team of CPAC Institute will have access to the answers.

Right to Withdraw:

- You can stop or close the browser window any time you like without consequence, but we cannot remove your answers once you submit them because we will not be able to separate your answers from the rest of the data.

Follow up:

- The findings of the study will be disseminated in the form of news releases, presentations, reports and journal articles.
- You may obtain results from the study through reading our publications posted on our website.

Questions or Concerns:

- If you have any questions or concerns about this research, please contact the researcher using the information at the top of this letter.
- This project has been reviewed and approved by the Community Research Ethics Board. If you feel you have not been treated according to the descriptions in our information, or your rights as a participant in research have been violated during the course of this project, you may contact the Chair, Community Research Ethics Board, at: Community Research Ethics Office (Canada) Corp. c/o Centre for Community Based Research, 190 Westmount Road North, Waterloo ON N2L 3G5; Email: creo@communitybasedresearch.ca Telephone: 1-888-411-2736.

