**APPENDIX E**

**Information and Consent Form for Parent/Guardian**

**of Student and Student Interview Assent**

**Poverty, Racialization, and Opportunity Gaps: A Comparative Geo-Spatial Analysis of Student Mobility in High-Poverty Urban Winnipeg Elementary Schools**

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This research project seeks to understand inequalities for students attending schools in neighbourhoods in Winnipeg experiencing economic poverty. Ongoing 'achievement gaps' for Indigenous and students of colour in inner-city schools are related to many factors which include an unplanned change of school. In this study we examine the relationship between students changing schools (mobility), academic achievement, and available community supports. In this study we are trying to identify necessary supports that would help parents and caregivers avoid having an unplanned change of school for their child.

I would like to invite your child to participate in an interview to share their experiences and perspectives regarding student mobility and school experience. The interview process will involve their reflection on their experiences. This will take approximately 30 minutes.

Your consent is voluntary and you have the right to withdraw your child from the interview or study at any given point, and should you choose to withdraw, you or your child will not be effected in any way whatsoever. Your decision to have your child participate or not participate in this study, or the quality of their responses, will not have any effect on your employment or the services that you or your child receive. The record of this interview and all other research material shall be made confidential and anonymous, and will be kept in a lockable cabinet. The information provided in this interview and during any other research related future conversations will not be disclosed to anyone other than the two research investigators and research assistants that are aware of research standards and confidentiality. Only the co-investigators and research assistants will have access to the audio recordings and any other field work research related material. A pseudonym will be used to refer to your child. A written record of the interview will be stored safely in a lockable cabinet in the offices of Jeannie Kerr or Ee-Seul Yoon at their respective offices. With your permission, this anonymized transcript of your child’s interview will be kept on the UWinnipeg institutional repository.

The findings of this study are planned to be shared in community support agencies and academic journal publications, and also presented at academic conferences. There are no right or incorrect answers and it is not required for your child to answer all questions if they do not want to. Your child will be invited to ask for clarity or advise that they do not want to answer the question. Community members will receive a $20 grocery store voucher to acknowledge the contribution to the research. The findings in this research may contribute to the body of knowledge on academic achievement, student mobility and community supports in inner-city contexts. Should you have any further questions or require feedback on the progress of the research, please feel free to contact the co-investigators. The contact details for the co-investigators are on the first page of this consent.

If you consent to having your child’s responses shared in the research study, you may choose to withdraw your consent without giving a reason. You can withdraw anytime up to submission for publication of results by contacting the co-investigators by email. If you have any questions or concerns about what is being asked, please contact us through the email and phone given above. This research has been approved by the University Human Research Ethics Boards at UWinnipeg and UManitoba. If you have any concerns about your child’s rights as a research participant and/or their experiences while participating in this study that we have been unable to address, you may contact the Ethics Program Officer by email at [ethics@uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:ethics@uwinnipeg.ca), or the Human Ethics Coordinator at the University of Manitoba at [humanethics@umanitoba.ca](mailto:humanethics@umanitoba.ca) and (204) 474-7122.

Thank you for your consideration to have your child to take part in this study. If you agree to have your child take part, please keep this information sheet for your future reference. You can then either sign the attached consent and signature page, or I will read the second page and accept your verbal agreement.

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**Participant Consent and Signature Page – Student Interview Parental Consent**

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Your digital signature below indicates that you have received a copy of this study information and consent form for your own records. Your digital signature indicates:

That you confirm this research study has clearly been explained to you and you are freely providing your signed consent for your child to participate in this study.

That audio recordings will be made during this interview and transcribed.

That you can withdraw your child from the interview at any time.

That you can withdraw your child’s data from the study at any time up to sharing with community supporters.

That your child’s interview will remain anonymous.

\_\_ I consent to having a transcript of my child’s anonymized interview stored on the UWinnipeg Institutional Repository, which can be removed at my or my child’s discretion at any time.

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Parent’s Signature Date

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Parent’s Printed Name

**Student Assent Page – Student Interview**

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Thank you for agreeing to participate in this study. We are interested in your views on part of our study that looks at students changing schools and school experience. Your parent/caregiver has agreed to let you participate in this study, but we also would like to have your assent to participate.

Your digital signature indicates:

That you confirm this research study has clearly been explained to you and you are freely participating in this study only with respect to your views on student mobility and school experience.

That audio recordings will be made during this interview and transcribed.

That you can withdraw from the interview at any time.

That you can withdraw your data from the study at any time up to sharing with community supporters.

That you will remain anonymous in the study.

You are aware that a transcript of your anonymous interview may be stored on the UWinnipeg Institutional Repository where others have access to see it, which can be removed at your request at any time.

A copy of this information will be provided to you.

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Student’s Signature Date

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Student’s Printed Name