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Dear Michael Whitener,

RE: Permission Granted for Research on College Readiness at James Monroe High School

I am writing to formally notify you that your request to conduct a research study on college readiness at James Monroe High School has been approved. We acknowledge and value your expressed interest in tackling the issue of insufficient college preparation gaps within our institution and your proposal of recommendations aimed at improving this particular aspect.

The research study employs a mixed methods approach, integrating qualitative and quantitative methodologies, with a specific emphasis on conducting interviews, surveys, and focus groups. The findings of this study hold the potential for identifying the underlying factors contributing to

inadequate college readiness and proposing strategies to enhance college preparedness among our student cohort. The significance of this research and its potential to yield benefits extends beyond James Monroe High School, encompassing other educational institutions grappling with similar challenges.

We acknowledge and value your dedication to upholding ethical principles and safeguarding the rights of participants. Ensuring that all parties involved, encompassing the principal, teachers, students, and parents, are treated with respect and confidentiality is imperative. You are expected to comply with the informed consent procedure, which entails granting participants the option to withdraw from the study at any given point.

Research protocols must be effectively implemented within a secure and conducive environment to prioritize the safety and welfare of all individuals involved. We also acknowledge and value your dedication to anonymizing and securely storing the collected data, thereby safeguarding it against unauthorized access.

We strongly believe that the discoveries derived from your research study will contribute significantly to our educational community and extend further into other domains. By adopting the strategies outlined, it is anticipated that substantial advancements can be made in improving the rates of college readiness at James Monroe High School. This will result in expanded educational prospects and future accomplishments for our students.

On behalf of James Monroe High School, I hereby provide official authorization for implementing your research study within our educational institution. We appreciate your commitment and anticipate collaborating closely with you and the school community throughout this undertaking. If there are any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or the relevant personnel.

We appreciate your inquiry, Michael. We express our gratitude for your proactive approach and acknowledge the potential beneficial effects that your research may bring to our educational institution. We extend our sincerest wishes for success in your research endeavor.

Sincerely,

Angie Mann

Angie Mann, Principal