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Dear Parent:

We are excited that your child will be participating in the 2010 Georgia Youth Summit! The Fifth Biennial Georgia Youth Summit is designed to create an awareness of state/local issues, to enhance youth-adult partnerships on the local level, and to equip youth to become active locally in the betterment of their community. In collaboration with the Georgia Rural Development Council and Georgia 4-H, we have worked very hard to offer a conference that provides the tools necessary for youth to get involved in their community.

At the conclusion of the Youth Summit, your child will have the opportunity to complete a post-conference evaluation, which will be used for research purposes. The purpose of this evaluation is to determine the following: 1) whether or not the objectives of the conference were met; 2) how effectively youth and adults work together in youth development organizations; and 3) how can future Youth Summits be improved.

Participation in the program evaluation is completely voluntary and will not affect your child's participation in the Georgia Youth Summit. The evaluation will take less than twenty minutes to complete. Information gathered from this evaluation may be made available for the general public in the form of public presentations, journals or newspaper articles, and/or books. Please note that all responses are completely anonymous. No risks are expected.

We request your consent to allow your child to complete this evaluation. If you choose not to allow your child to participate, please instruct them to refrain from completing the evaluation, sign in the space provided below, and return this form to Mr. Jeff Buckley at the address provided below.

If you have any questions about the conference evaluation, or would like to see a copy of the evaluation before giving your consent, please feel free to contact me at (706) 542-8735, email me at jbuckley@uga.edu, or visit the conference website at www.georgiayouthsummit.org.

Thank you for your consideration.

If you do NOT want your child to participate in this evaluation please print and sign your name below:

Print Name

Signature

Additional questions or problems regarding your child's rights as a research participant should be addressed to The Chairperson, Institutional Review Board, University of Georgia, 612 Boyd Graduate Studies Research Center, Athens, Georgia 30602-7411; Telephone (706) 542-3199; E-Mail Address IRB@uga.edu

Sincerely,

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