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Students and Family Engagement
STEM FilmKids

Memorandum of Understanding
between
Gadsden Independent School District
and
Department of Curriculum & Instruction, New Mexico State University (NMSU)

The purpose of this project is for educators from NMSU to design, develop, implement, and evaluate the ***STEM FilmKids*** program. This program covers audio and film storytelling for kids in the following afterschool SAFE schools: Riverside Elementary, Santa Teresa Middle School, Chaparral Elementary, and Chaparral Middle School. We are interested in understanding more about children's experiences within the *FilmKids* program, and we would like to conduct research regarding this. Research will consist both of attitude surveys about the program and interviews with the children. The survey will take about 15 minutes to complete, and will ask them to respond to questions regarding why they joined the program and what they are learning. The interviews will take 20-30 minutes, and will garner more in-depth information about how they are experiencing the *FilmKids* project.

Once NMSU Institutional Review Board and district-level approvals are in place, we will arrange to collect data within the afterschool program. In addition, NMSU will take care of copying and delivering all survey. No data collection will take place until consent forms from students and their parents have been obtained. All identities will be confidential and protected in accordance with IRB policy.

Gadsden Independent School District administration will provide approval for the curriculum materials and implementation among the volunteer teachers. GISD will also approve data collection measures and procedures, provided IRB approval has been obtained by NMSU. If you have any questions about this research, please call me at 575-646-4377, or email me at kglaze@nmsu.edu. My fax number is 575-646-5354.

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