



# Texas Southern University Permission Form (Minors Only)

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You are invited to participate in a research study conducted by Dr. Carol Abel Lewis, and Dr. Gwen Goodwin from Texas Southern University.

## **Study Purpose/Description**

Texas Southern University's Center for Transportation Training and Research in partnership with Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO) and Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) are pursuing innovation and technology advancements for transportation. An element of this research is to examine an automated vehicle shuttle pilot project that would travel the Texas Southern University Tiger Walk.

This research will be focused on what can be learned from planning and implementing automated vehicles (AV) in transit service. A survey will be conducted as part of the assessment. Survey participants will be solicited by email using the data from the Office of Institutional Advancement. An online tool, Survey Monkey, will assure anonymity of respondents.

We are asking you to take part in the survey, so we can assess your opinion about the vehicle and service.

## **Risk**

The probability and magnitude of harm or discomfort anticipated in the research are not greater in and of themselves, than those ordinarily encountered in daily life.

## **Duration**

Your participation is voluntary and would consist of responses not more than three (3) times.

**Completing the survey should take no more than ten (10) minutes.**

## **Benefit**

The benefit of this study to participants will be to decrease the travel time along the Tiger Walk, from the New Library Resource Center to the middle of campus by the MLK Building, or to the end of campus to Spearman Technology, or the HP&E Arena.

## **Compensation**

You will not receive compensation for participating in this study.

## **Confidentiality/Anonymity**

Your data will be kept confidential, and without personally identifiable information.

**Voluntary Participation/Permission to Stop**

Your participation in this research is voluntary, and you may stop at any time, and without penalty to you.

**Contact**

If you have questions about the survey, you may contact:

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**As parent or legal guardian, I authorize the child's name below to ride on the TSU AV Shuttle.**

First Name      Last Name

**Child's Date of Birth**

Month      Day      Year

**Parent's Email**

example@example.com

**Phone Number**

Area Code      Phone Number