

Out of Eden Learn, Project Zero, Harvard Graduate School of Education

Informed Consent and Notice for Parents of Students in the European Economic Area

About Out of Eden Learn

Your child's teacher is inviting students to participate in Out of Eden Learn (OOEL), a global online learning community. The [Out of Eden Learn](https://learn.outofedenwalk.com) program and website (<https://learn.outofedenwalk.com>) invite young people to slow down to observe the world carefully and to listen respectfully to other people – both within their own communities and in different parts of the world. We hope your child will enjoy exchanging stories with other young people and exploring connections between their own lives and bigger, unfolding human stories. Harvard University is the controller of your child's information collected for purposes of this study.

What information are we collecting and what is our basis for processing?

Students must use pseudonyms when they participate in OOEL. They are not permitted to use their real name or other information that could be used to identify them when they sign up or at any other time on our website. We request that your child makes sure that their user name does not include their real name or a nickname that they go by. We prohibit students from posting pictures or videos that show their faces or those of their classmates. Additionally, they must not share any personal contact details, including telephone numbers, addresses, emails, Facebook pages, etc. The information OOEL collects in which the student's name is replaced with a pseudonym is referred to under European data protection laws as "pseudonymized data."

As noted above, we ask that students do not submit information that directly identifies them. We do not directly ask students to post sensitive data. However, they are permitted to voluntarily share data that reveals their racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, genetic or biometric data, or data concerning their health, sex life or sexual orientation. Any sensitive information that students choose to share will be used for the purposes of OOEL, described below.

Our basis for processing your child's information is our legitimate interest in administering OOEL and conducting research with the information collected through OOEL, and our basis for processing your child's special categories of information is the consent you provide when you sign this form.

What do we do with the data we collect?

As noted above, we do not collect or have access to students' names or other directly identifying information, and we rely on educators to ensure that students do not post directly identifying information about themselves or others.

We make the pseudonymised student information available for the mutual educational benefit of other students and educators participating in OOEL. Your child's pseudonymised work may be featured on the home page of the OOEL website, which can be viewed by the whole world. We may include their pseudonymised work in blog posts, tweets, or other forms of online communication. We may include it in written publications. However, as noted above, we do not collect or have access to any directly identifiable information about students through the website, so student work that is featured or posted will not be associated with the student's name or other directly identifying information. We do not sell or license this information to others. We do not permit advertising on the OOEL website or in our blog posts, tweets or other online communications.

What rights do my child and I have?

Even though we do not know your child's identity, you and your child do have rights related to the information collected about them. Please talk over these rights with your child.

If you/your child wish to exercise any of the rights described below, it is best to contact your/your child's teacher who will be able to contact the OOEL team for assistance.

- You/your child have the right to see the information being collected about your child in the study.
- You/your child have the right to correct or update your child's information if it is inaccurate.
- You/your child have the right to limit the collection and use of your child's information under certain circumstances (for example, if you/your child think that the information is inaccurate).
- You/your child have the right to receive the information collected from your child in an easily accessible format.
- You/your child have the right to request the deletion of information collected from your child if your child is no longer participating in OOEL, unless deletion would seriously impair our research or if your information is needed for us to comply with legal requirements.
- You/your child have the right to file a complaint with a data protection authority (http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/article-29/structure/data-protection-authorities/index_en.htm).

If you want more information about these rights, please talk to your child's teacher. Your teacher will be able to contact the OOEL team and Harvard University for assistance.

Transfer of Data

OOEL researchers may be based in countries other than your country, including the United States. Your child's information will therefore be transferred to the United States and potentially other countries for use by OOEL personnel. The European Commission has determined that the data protection laws of the United States do not protect personal information to the same extent as those of the European Union. Harvard will, however, take steps to maintain the confidentiality of your child's information. By signing this form, you consent to this transfer of your child's information to the United States and other countries. You have the right to withdraw consent at any time, but if you do so your child will no longer be able to participate in OOEL.

By signing below, I acknowledge receipt of this consent and notice document, and I consent to the processing of my child's special categories of personal data and the transfer of his or her personal data outside of the European Economic Area for processing in connection with OOEL.

Your Child's Name

Your Name

Your Signature

Date