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## Parents Information and Consent

The Students Commission (lead organization to the Centre of Excellence for Youth Engagement) is a national, charitable youth organization that works to provide, promote and support opportunities for young people from all walks of life to become meaningfully engaged in issues that directly affect them, their peers and their communities. We have been awarded funding from Health Canada for an evidence-based program, entitled *Influence in Action*, which encourages students to think critically and make good choices regarding their own health and substances like alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, salt, and sugar.

Through a survey, students identify youth they see as influential in their schools. Youth from each school with the highest influencer scores from their peers will be invited to a two-day training where they will receive current information about a variety of different topics with a particular focus on marijuana/cannabis, as an example of a case where there is a great deal of public misinformation circulating. Your child has been selected to come to this training.

The training will focus on the development of the participants' critical thinking and communication skills. It is expected that this will improve your child's skills and capacity to make informed decisions, and that, given your child's natural talents, she or he will be even more effective in supporting and encouraging the healthy decisions of friends and schoolmates.

If you want to know more about The Students Commission or about the training, please visit [www.studentscommission.ca/drugbuzz](http://www.studentscommission.ca/drugbuzz)

I give consent for \_\_\_\_\_ (name of child) to participate in The Students Commission's Influence in Action Training with other students selected from his/her school.

Name of Parent/Guardian : \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Please return this form to The Students Commission representative in your area,  
or fax to 416 597-0661**

**or pdf and email to Sharif Mahdy – [sharifm@tgmag.ca](mailto:sharifm@tgmag.ca)**

**Any questions or concerns, please call Sharif Mahdy at 416 597 8297.**

**Program Outline, Curriculum are available for review at**

**[www.studentscommission.ca/drugbuzz/](http://www.studentscommission.ca/drugbuzz/)**



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**INFLUENCE IN ACTION invitation**



## Student Peer Influencers Information and Consent

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We're from the Students Commission, a national youth organization.

Our website is - [www.studentscommission.ca](http://www.studentscommission.ca)

Our phone number is 416 597 8297 or \_\_\_\_\_

You have been mentioned by other students in your class as a person who influences others – a peer influencer. As part of a program we are doing called Influence in Action, we would like to offer you the chance to participate in a special two-day training program, where we will show you how to think critically about information on different health issues and how to talk about what you learn with others in your class, school, family, community etc.

We are excited to spend these two days with you.

If either you or your family have any questions for us, we would be happy to answer them for you at any time.

Your parents (and/or guardians) are being asked to sign a permission form agreeing to your participation in this training.

We would like to have your agreement, as well, so if you would like to participate in the Peer Influencer Training with the other students we have selected from your class/school, please print your name and sign below.

Then give this form and the one for your parents (and/or guardians) back to your teacher.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Your Name) agree to participate in The Students Commission's Influence in Action Training for Peer Influencers with other students selected from my school.

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_