## SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA JUVENILE DIVISION

DAVID H. YAMADAM County of Santa Clara DEPUT T. Pierce

EXTENSION OF ORDER AUTHORIZING SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY, RESEARCH INSTITUTE ON FOSTER YOUTH INITIATIVES, TO CONDUCT A RESEARCH STUDY ON THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL EDUCATION COURT. INCLUDING INTERVIEWS WITH AND ACCESS TO CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION ABOUT PARTICIPATING JUVENILE DEPENDENT YOUTH

Good cause appearing, the Court hereby authorizes, Dr. Emily J. Bruce, Ph.D., LCSW, Associate Professor, Director for the Research Institute for Foster Youth Initiatives (RIFYI), San Jose State University (SJSU), acting in agreement with the Santa Clara County Social Services Agency, Department of Family and Children's Services (DFCS), to engage in the research activities set forth in detail in the attached application for the proposed research study entitled, "Middle School Education Court (MSEC) Project: Phase 1 – Establishing the Baseline; and Phase 2: Examining Outcomes" in order to assist DFCS and the Court in identifying and addressing concerns about the educational achievement of middle school aged children who are dependents of Santa Clara County Juvenile Court and reside in out of home placement.

Subject to individual informed consent, Dr. Emily Bruce and/or a member of the RIFYI research staff, are authorized to conduct interviews with the children and adolescents who have agreed to participate in the study and shall have access to information contained within their respective Juvenile Dependency Court (and DFCS) files which is relevant to the aforementioned research study.

## This order is made on the following conditions:

1. The identity of the dependent children who agree to participate in this project, shall be protected by SJSU and RIFYI. SJSU and RIFYI shall be bound by the confidentiality of the information received, which shall be used exclusively for the purposes described above.

- 2. SJSU and RIFYI staff shall not publish, disseminate or otherwise disclose any identifying or placement information pertaining to any dependent children of the court.
- 3. This order shall be extended and will expire on August 31, 2012.
- 4. A copy of this order shall be placed in the court file of the each of the dependent children randomly chosen for participation in this study.
- 5. Upon completion of the research activities described above, SJSU and RIFYI shall destroy or return to DFCS any documents obtained pursuant to this court order.

Date: <u>8/31/11</u>

Honorable Katherine Lucero

Supervising Judge of the Juvenile Court