



# Online Consent Form

## Safe, Efficient Schools During the COVID-19 Pandemic

You are being asked to participate in a voluntary research study being done by the Smart Energy Design Assistance Center in collaboration with the University of Illinois Extension. The purpose of this study is to assess the outcomes of training approaches in empowering school and building professionals to make their facilities safer and more efficient in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Participating in this research study will include taking a short, anonymous online questionnaire and answering a few poll questions. You may be contacted in a few months to complete a second questionnaire. The questionnaires will each take less than 5 minutes to complete.

No personal identifying information will be collected in the questionnaires. Results from the questionnaires will not be used for future research.

If you have questions about this project, you may contact Brian Deal at 217-333-1911 or [deal@illinois.edu](mailto:deal@illinois.edu). If you have any questions about your rights as a participant in this study or any concerns or complaints, please contact the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Office for the Protection of Research Subjects at 217-333-2670 or via email at [irb@illinois.edu](mailto:irb@illinois.edu).

Please print this consent form if you would like to retain a copy for your records.

I have read and understand the above consent form. I certify that I am 18 years old or older. By answering the poll questions and completing the survey, I indicate my willingness to voluntarily take part in this study.