FAQs for Charter School Recruitment

Commonly-asked questions from charter schools about participating in research

- What is the expected time commitment? What tasks are we expected to complete?
 - We at [insert institution] work hard to minimize the burden for your team. All we ask is that you establish a data agreement with our team (we can provide a template, if desired) and send us the lottery data files outlined in the charter lottery data intake form. We are happy to assist you in compiling this information, and we anticipate data pulls to only require [#] hours of staff time. We are happy to clean and process the data ourselves and can accept data in almost any format.
- How often will we be in contact with the team at [insert institution]? How frequent are the asks?
 - After the initial data request, the [insert institution] team may reach out
 with questions about the data. We have a long history of working with
 lottery data systems, and we do our best to keep these asks minimal. We
 anticipate data collection to take place annually in the fall semester.
- How long do we have to commit to work with you?
 - We ask that you commit to participate in a study for [#] years. You may withdraw your organization's participation in the study at any time.
- Will you notify us before you publish results publicly?
 - Yes, we will share draft findings before publishing them.
- Are individual students going to be singled out in the research?
 - Only aggregate data will be reported. No students will be singled out in our publications.
- How are you going to ensure that students' personal information is kept private?
 - We treat all student-identifiable data with the utmost concern and caution. Keeping this data confidential is our obligation under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. The research team will have access

only to the specific data needed to perform the analysis. We will destroy or return all student-identifiable records after the project concludes.

- What are the benefits of participating in your research?
 - By participating in our research, you may learn more about what makes charter schools effective.