



Project INSPIRE: Increasing the STEM Potential of Individuals Who Read Braille

What is Project INSPIRE?

Project INSPIRE is a 5 year training grant to support braille literacy for professionals and students to build their skills and knowledge in the braille codes for STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) courses.

Who are the researchers?

Dr. Tina Herzberg, University of South Carolina Upstate
Dr. L. Penny Rosenblum, American Foundation for the Blind
Dr. Rett McBride, Georgia State University, Perimeter College

What is a focus group and how will the research be run?

You are invited to participate in a research study at the University of South Carolina Upstate. A focus group is an opportunity for a group of people to come together and talk about a topic, in this case STEM braille materials. The focus group will be held online and last about 1 hour. There will be 4-8 people in the focus group.

Who is eligible to participate in the focus groups?

- Students who are in grades 6 to 12 and have been reading braille for more than 6 years
- Students must be using braille in math and science classes
- Students must be comfortable talking in a group setting

When is the focus group?

Tuesday, February 23 at 7:00 PM EST / 6:00 PM CST / 5:00 PM MST / 4:00 PM PST

How can I learn more and sign up my child to participate in a focus group?

Contact Dr. Tina Herzberg: Email: therzberg@uscupstate.edu Phone: 864-503-5572

Sign up: https://uofsc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4T41AbJyZTY9VSB