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Ethical Approval Decision

Upon the Request of MTA TK „Lendület” RECENS Research Group

Concerning the Project „Feasible Peer Effects—How Seat Neighbours Influence Each Other in the School”
founded by National Research, Development and Innovation Office under the Grant Number FK125358

Data collecting methodology and procedure as well as the recruitment of participants have been screened
by the Ethics Review Committee of the Centre for Social Sciences at Hungarian Academy of Sciences and
approved beforehand by the Institutional Ethics Review Board.

This decision is based on the following documents: (1) Data Handling Statement; (2) Letter to Schools; (3)
(Statement of Intent); (4) Parental Agreement; (5) Signed letter.

The submitted documents have convincingly shown that the ethical principles will be taken in
consideration, as well all relevant laws, which he is committed to respect.

The PI declared that the informants will be informed about research goals and techniques and he will ask
for their consent in written form. The same will be done concerning the parents of minor interviewee. PI
also confirmed that he will protect his informants by confidentiality and anonymity and will ensure them
the right to withdraw from the research if this is what they want. Detailed information has been provided
on the procedures that will be implemented for data collection, storage, protection.

Based on the above the Ethics Review Committee considers the ethical requirements to be satisfyingly
fulfilled.

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