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To parents of pupils in year 5 Invitation to participate in an interview study concerning language and other educational choices

Hello!

My name is Josefine Krich and I'm a PhD student in sociology of education at Uppsala University. My research project is focused on families' educational choices, amongst others, specifically the choice of an additional foreign language. The project is closely related to *Familjerna i det nya utbildningslandskapet. Vägval, tillgångar och strategier 1985-2015*, a research project financed by the Swedish research council.

I'll be doing interviews with families with children currently in the fifth schoolyear in Uppsala municipality trying to capture how they navigate within the educational systems, what kind of education and which schools they choose for their children, how the reason about these choices, as well as the parents own educational paths. I'm particularly interested in language, and the choice of additional foreign languages, and you're getting this letter since your child is about to choose an additional foreign language before the start of the next year in school.

My question to you regards whether you could consider meeting me for an interview regarding these topics. I would like to interview the both of you, if possible. I may visit you at home for the interview, if it suits you. Your child/children do not need to participate in the interview. The interview will take about an hour of your time and participation is voluntary. You can choose to withdraw from the study at any time, even when the data collection is finished.

When presenting findings (such as publications, seminars and conferences) all personal information will be anonymized. The material will not be used for any other purposes than research, and presentations of the results of the study.

If you are interested in participating, or have any questions about the study, you are welcome to contact me or one of my supervisors (contact information is included on the backside of this letter).

I'm interviewing until the end of June (possibly also later during the summer, if you wish).

Best regards,
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