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**Name of Study:** Children's preference for video versus live information

**Location:** Early Development Lab, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

**Eligibility Criteria:** Children with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder from 24 months to 84 months old (7 years); also typically developing children from 18 months to 84 months old.

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Dear Parent,

Our research group, the Early Development Lab at Vanderbilt University, is trying to figure out whether typically developing children and those with ASD (autism spectrum disorders) prefer to watch an interactive video of a person, or the person right there in front of them. We hope to understand how to gain and keep the attention of children with ASD for future video learning.

We invite children with a diagnosis of ASD ages 24 months to 84 months old (2 to 7 years), as well as typically developing children ages 18 months to 84 months old to participate in our research study.

We ask you, the parent, and your child to:

1. Come for one, 3-hour visit to our playroom\*
2. Share information about your child's development and media use
3. Watch short videos and live presentations of songs and games
4. Children with an ASD diagnosis may be asked to complete the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS) administered by a clinical psychologist.

\*Please note: You and your child may come in for two shorter visits if you prefer

There is no charge to participate in the study. Children will receive a book or small toy for participating. Parking spaces are reserved for research participants. If you are interested in participating, please contact Lauren Deisenroth or Kate O'Doherty at (615) 343-4681 or [trosethlab@gmail.com](mailto:trosethlab@gmail.com). Thank you in advance for your time and assistance. We look forward to working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

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