PRETESTING IN ENGINEERING PHYSICS COURSES

All of the engineering students are being tested in their core courses this fall at the beginning of the semester and again at the end of the semester. These data will be used to improve your learning experiences in these courses and in your future courses.

You should print and study the informed consent form:


which explains your rights regarding the study and provides you the opportunity to opt out of having your scores used in the study. You are required to take the tests, but will have a no-penalty option of having your data withheld from the study if you choose not to participate.

Important to note:

- Students generally do not do well on the diagnostic pretest that is administered in recitation. You should not feel discouraged by the difficulty of the test.
- There is also a separate online survey that you must complete; it takes about 20 minutes. Here is the link
  https://secure.rutgers.edu/secureforms/Forms/Physics_Survey/
- It is important for the sake of the study to do your very best on these tests.
- Your responses to these tests and surveys will have no bearing on your course grade, but your grade will be affected negatively if you do not take all of the tests.
- Your instructors will not see your scores, and will keep track only whether or not you take the tests.

If you have missed the in-class testing, you must makeup the test in order to receive credit. Students with recitations on Mondays and Tuesdays won’t be given the test during regular recitations, and must take the makeup.

The scheduled days, times and locations to makeup the test are the following:

- **Wednesday September 2nd**, from 4pm until 9 pm in ARC 332 (Allison Road Classroom Building, 3rd floor, Math and Science Learning Center).
- **Thursday September 3rd**, from 4 pm until 9 pm in ARC 332 (Allison Road Classroom Building, 3rd floor, Math and Science Learning Center).
- **Friday September 4th**, from 10 am until 4 pm in ARC 332 (Allison Road Classroom Building, 3rd floor, Math and Science Learning Center).

The completion of the test usually takes between 45 and 50 minutes. Please organize your academic schedule accordingly.