

Deceptive methods utilized in survey

I was contacted to be surveyed about "the working conditions at District 742 schools."

I refused to answer any survey questions until the interviewer answered two of my questions, 1) Who is conducting the survey? 2) Who commissioned the survey? The interviewer stated he could not answer these questions until I completed the survey, "for reasons of objectivity."

Why was SCSU and the St. Cloud Times worried that if I knew who was conducting the survey it would skew the results?

I noticed the series of articles they printed about the survey, that the paper failed to mention the deceptive method they used to get their responses. I conducted a survey of my own, asking St. Cloud residents about their opinion of the St. Cloud Times. A majority of respondents stated they would rather use the paper for their bird cages or to train their dogs than read it.

My poll was not scientific, nor was it deceptive.

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