

**Mrs. Daniel- AP Stats**  
**Height & Arm Span Correlation Activity**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Measure your height and arm span. Record data.

Height (inches): \_\_\_\_\_

Arm span (inches): \_\_\_\_\_

**A.** Create and label a scatterplot of the classes' data:



**B.** Calculate and interpret the correlation coefficient.

**C.** Calculate your personal contribution to the correlation coefficient.

Class mean height ( $\bar{x}$ ): \_\_\_\_\_ Class standard dev height ( $S_x$ ): \_\_\_\_\_

Class mean arm span ( $\bar{y}$ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Class standard dev arm span ( $S_y$ ): \_\_\_\_\_

$$\frac{(your\ height - \bar{x})}{S_x} \cdot \frac{(your\ arm\ span - \bar{y})}{S_y}$$

Who contributed the least? \_\_\_\_\_

Who contributed the most? \_\_\_\_\_

**D.** Remove the person who “contributed” the most to the correlation and re-calculate the correlation coefficient.

Revised Correlation Coefficient: \_\_\_\_\_

How much/what percent did the value change by?

**E.** What is the least squares regression equation for this association? (Remember to re-add the person we removed in part D). Define any variables used. Draw line on scatterplot in part A.

LSRL: \_\_\_\_\_

**F.** Calculate your personal residual value.

My predicted arm span (plug in your height to LSRL): \_\_\_\_\_

Residual = actual arm span - predicted arm span: \_\_\_\_\_

Who had the highest residual? \_\_\_\_\_

Who had the lowest residual? \_\_\_\_\_

**G.** Remove the person who had the highest residual value and re-calculate the correlation coefficient.

Revised Correlation Coefficient: \_\_\_\_\_

How much/what percent did the value change by? How does this compare to the value in part D?

**H.** Create and label a residual plot of the classes’ data. Circle your personal data.:

