



**To: Parents/Guardians/Coaches/Volunteers**

**SAFEGUARDING ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN SESSION REQUIRED FOR ANYONE WHO VOLUNTEERS OR WORKS AT CATHOLIC EAST ELEMENTARY!**

All paid employees and volunteers in Catholic schools or religious education programs who have any contact with children in Catholic Schools or religious education programs are required to attend a Safe Environment "Protecting God's Children" awareness session and must agree to a criminal background check and sign the Code of Ethical Standards for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. This is mandatory for anyone employed by or volunteering at Catholic East Elementary School. You must complete the one-time session (about a two hour program), in order to chaperone or drive for field trips, tutor, assist the teachers in the classroom, coach teams, be a classroom volunteer, etc. The principal of Catholic East is mandated by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee to make sure that everyone who works with children in any way in our school completes the one time training session. This is followed up by the Sexual Abuse Prevention Office at the Archdiocese to make sure we are in compliance. Once you complete the session, you are put on a national registry and do not have to attend again, even if you move and your child attends a Catholic school in another part of the United States. If you have not already attended a training session, I urge you to do so as the sessions listed below will be the only sessions offered at Catholic East this year.

The sessions are very informative and worthwhile. It is my recommendation that every Catholic East parent/guardian attend so that you are covered in case you want to volunteer at the school, chaperone a field trip, coach or assistant coach a school team, etc. This is a serious issue that all our parents/guardians and others need to know about. The statistics of sexual abuse of minors in the United States is staggering.

**Catholic East will be hosting the following sessions at the Catholic East Holy Rosary Campus Computer Lab (2038 N. Bartlett). You only need to attend one session and you are certified forever and anywhere in the United States in a Catholic school! Sessions take about 2 hours. Again, you must register online in order to attend!**

- September 9      9:00 AM
- September 16     11:00 AM
- September 21     6:00 PM

**Instructions for registering are as follows:**

- In order to view Safe Environment Education sessions go to the Safeguarding All of God's Family page (<http://www.archmil.org/offices/safeguarding.htm>).
- Scroll down to: Upcoming Safe Environment Education Sessions.
- Click on the sentence: "[Click here to view the list of this month's sessions.](#)"
- Find a session that works for you and click on it to register. Follow directions to complete registration.
- You may register for any session throughout the archdiocese (although the best way to do this is to attend a session here at Catholic East because we will have all the forms necessary here for you).
- Be sure to sign in on the sign-up sheet once you arrive at the session and get proof of attendance before you leave.
- **You must be registered online** in order to attend a session, so please complete the registration no later than the day before the session you plan to attend.

Looking forward to seeing those of you who have not yet attended a Safeguarding God's Children Awareness session.  
God's Blessings,

Mr. Ryan Krienke  
Principal