



Safe Environment Program

Class is scheduled at St. Cecilia's
Wednesday, October 25, 6:15 pm
Register online!

All volunteers who have ongoing unsupervised contact with minors (including classroom volunteers, recess or lunch duty, field trip chaperones, coaches) must successfully complete Safe Environment Program Training and pass a criminal background check.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING PROGRAM

New Volunteers

Protecting God's Children for Adults: A two-hour training for all applicable volunteers. It is a professionally produced education program developed to teach volunteers how to prevent child sexual abuse. Training is facilitated by a designated trainer of the Archdiocese of Seattle certified by Virtus. All new volunteers are required to complete *Protecting God's Children for Adults* within 90 days of beginning service.

To register for a class, visit <http://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>

St. Cecilia Parish offers at least two sessions each year. The first class is scheduled for Wednesday, October 25 at 6:15 pm. Additional classes are offered at parishes throughout the Archdiocese.

Once training is complete, bring in or email a copy of your Class Confirmation Certificate and the Safe Environment Program Church Personnel Agreement to the school office.

Returning Volunteers

All returning volunteers who have completed the Safe Environment Training and have a clear background check must complete **one** safe environment training update in the *Virtus* program every year, with a background check every three years. The *Virtus* program is an online training system which allows participants to take the class at their convenience, from any computer with internet access.

BACKGROUND CHECK

The Archdiocese of Seattle has had a long commitment to the protection of children. All volunteers who have ongoing unsupervised contact with minors must also successfully pass a criminal background check. In addition, anyone who will have access to cash, securities, or other financial instruments is required to pass a background check. Ongoing volunteers will have this background check repeated every three year.

Complete the Volunteer Background Check online when you register with Virtus.

QUESTIONS?

For more information, visit the Archdiocese of Seattle Safe Environment Program:
www.seattlearchsep.org