



Holy Trinity Catholic School

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*Holy Trinity School is a Catholic educational community of excellence.
Inspired by the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, and called to follow his example,
we are dedicated to the spiritual, academic, and social development of our students,
forming “saints and scholars.”*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We at Holy Trinity School care about the safety and well-being of the children you have entrusted in our care. An important part of our commitment is to be in compliance with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ “Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People” which requires that each *diocese* must establish and maintain a Safe Environment Program for Children and Youth.

The Los Angeles Archdiocese, Office of Safeguard the Children, has developed a new K-12, Empowering God’s Children Safety Program for schools and Religious Education Programs throughout the Archdiocese. The new program is designed to help children and young people know they have the power to protect themselves from harmful or threatening situations and to always aim to keep themselves safe and healthy. We are participating in presenting the Empowering God’s Children Safety Program in an ongoing effort to help create and maintain a safe environment for children and youth to be protected from all forms of abuse. The focus of the program is to empower children and youth with the knowledge and understanding needed to keep themselves safe.

This year we will present Empowering God’s Children Safety Program to our students in a class lesson during the month of November. The topic for this year’s lesson is **Boundaries and Bullying**. Each lesson will include: **VIRTUS®** Introductory Video “Empowering God’s Children,” “Hands-On” classroom activities, Technology Component, Take Home activity to help parents/guardians review the lesson with their child, and a “Catechetical Connection’ to the Catechism of the Catholic Church to magnify God’s desire for their happiness, health and safety.

A Summer Safety Lesson will also be presented at the end of each school year to remind children to always put “Safety First.”

Parents/guardians seeking additional information regarding this program or who would like to review the materials/videos, please feel free to contact Ms. Lloyd or review the curriculum directly at the Archdiocese of Los Angeles website: <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/safeguard/Pages/default.aspx>

Parent Permission Slip for the Empowering God’s Children Safety Program 2023

I understand that for my child to participate in the Empowering God’s Children Safety Program I need to fill out and return this Parent Permission Form at time of registration. My signature below is my specific request for my child’s participation in the Empowering God’s Children Safety Program.

We will be teaching this program in all grade levels during the month of **November**

Child’s Name (printed): _____

Parent’s Name (printed): _____

Parent’s Signature: _____

Date: _____