

Grade/ Age	SAFENVIRON Date

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**Student's: Legal Last Name                      Legal First Name                      Legal Middle Name**

**Safe Environment: Child & Youth Protection**

***“Our bodies are Sacred & Holy.  
Each human person is created  
in the image and likeness of God.  
God made each of us special.”***

“Churches, schools, and youth organizations must ensure that children and youth who worship, study, or participate in activities sponsored by a parish can do so in the safest and most secure setting possible. Parents and caretakers have the right to ask these institutions if they meet the requirements of the *Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People* before they allow their children to become involved with them.” [Keeping Our Promise To Protect: Safe Environment, Laity & Family Issues; United States Conference of Catholic Bishops:\(www.usccb.org\)](http://www.usccb.org)

“The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

In a pastoral effort to respond to the need for the protection of our children, the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is responding in several ways including protecting our children/youth from those who would harm them and requiring that children in all grades of our parish religious education and youth ministry programs as well as Catholic schools be given education on how to stay safe from abuse.

Our parishes are responding to this need by:

Creating Safe Environments for our Religious Education Programs & Youth Ministry programs:

1. Security of the buildingS
2. Monitoring people on the property during religious education and youth activities
3. Checking facilities and grounds for secluded areas and closing off access if possible
4. Checking bathrooms before sending children in alone
5. Meeting with children/youth in open spaces
6. Having two adults present in rooms at all times
7. Being sure a child/youth is never alone with an adult.”

During drop off & pick up for programs

Volunteers monitoring drop off and pick up areas must have Knowledge of and written permission for children/ Youth to leave with someone other than a parent..”

**My children (listed below) and I have received the Safe Environment briefing and materials.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please List Each Child and Grade:**

**St. Rita uses YELLO DINO!!!!**

Raising Safe Kids in an Unsafe World: :30 Proven Ways To Protect Your Child from Becoming Lost, Abducted, Abused or Victimized

1. **You have the right to be safe!**
2. **Do the Yello Dyno Yell! You are not my Mom**
3. **Tricky People: it's not what they look like that matters, but what they ask you to do!**
4. **Always ask Mom & Dad first.**
5. **“Take three steps back, Take three steps back, and run like the wind!**
6. **Don't keep secrets that make you feel unsafe or sad.**
7. **Turn to your trusted adult for help!!**
8. **Trust your feelings.**
9. **Say to yourself: My Body's Mine, Mine, Mine !**

**Create a family internet plan!!!**  
 \*Use Parental Controls: \*Agree on time limits  
 \*Keep family info private \*Avoid cool lures, free offers

**LIST THREE TRUSTED ADULTS:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Tricky People —Lures & Lies**

		
<b>I LOST MY DOG!</b>	<b>I KNOW YOUR PARENTS</b>	<b>MY HOUSE IS FUN!</b>
		
<b>FAKE BADGE</b>	<b>I'LL GIVE YOU MONEY!</b>	<b>I'LL MAKE YOU A STAR!</b>