



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SAFE ENVIRONMENT MANDATES
FROM THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH FOR ALL SCHOOL
PARENTS AND VOLUNTEERS.**

Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth Safe Environment Link:

<http://www.fwdioc.org/pages/safe-environment-program-about>

Immaculate Conception Parish Safe Environment Link:

<http://www.iccdenton.org/index.cfm?load=page&page=163>

St. Mark Parish Safe Environment Link:

<http://www.stmarkdenton.org/index.cfm?load=page&page=181>

July 19, 2013

Dear School Parents,

The Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth mandates that all school parents complete a background check and must be current on Safe Environment training in order to volunteer in our Catholic schools or have access in the facility outside of regular programs that are open to the public. In addition, the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth mandates that all volunteers, regardless of whether they are school parents, must complete the background check and complete the Safe Environment Program. This is a great time to check the status of your Safe Environment eligibility. If you are new to our diocese or new to our school and parish, you will need to sign up for one of the courses that is offered in August and September in one of our parishes or in the area. If you are a returning parent or volunteer and your Safe Environment has expired after three years, you must renew online or attend a new training session. If you are unsure if your certification has expired, please contact the Safe Environment Coordinator at your parish to verify. Please see the next page for sessions and information regarding retraining. This will also be emailed for your convenience. Please return the bottom portion of page 2 to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you for helping to keep our schools and parishes a safe place for all!

Please note, the background check form and volunteer application may be downloaded from our website. Please complete and return these forms to the school office prior to your scheduled session.

UPCOMING SAFE ENVIRONMENT SESSIONS

Immaculate Conception Parish: Time: 9 a.m. to Noon

SESSIONS: AUGUST 17, AUGUST 31, SEPTEMBER 14

[KCYS Initial Session - English](#)

The initial session is for those individuals volunteering in the church parish or school who have not yet taken any Safe Environment instruction or whose certification is past the two month expiration period. Reservations are required. Nursery provided upon request 3 days prior to class. Call 940-565-1770 OR EMAIL communications@iccdenton.org for reservations or information.

St. Mark Parish: Time: 9 a.m. to Noon

SESSIONS: AUGUST 12, SEPTEMBER 14

For Registration at St. Mark contact Sydney Tarvin, starvin@stmarkdenton.org or 940-387-6223
For Registration at St. Philip contact Joanne Jensen, joannej@stphilipcc.org or 972-219-0972
For Registration at ICC contact Mary McAndrew, communications@iccdenton.org or 940-565-1770

Registration is required at least 3 days prior to the training and a background form must be completed with your parish of record, prior to attendance.

Retraining Needed Every 3 Years

Online retraining is now available to renew your credentials every three years. To be eligible for Retraining Online you must first have attended an Initial Safe Environment training and that training cannot be expired for more than six months.

PLEASE RETURN THE FORM BELOW TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND CHECK AS INDICATED:

(All Parents/Guardians)

_____ My Safe Environment is current.

_____ My Safe Environment is expired and I will complete the on-line renewal before school begins on August 15.

_____ My Safe Environment has lapsed more than six months. I plan to attend the training session at _____ Parish on _____ and will contact the parish to sign up.

_____ This is my first Safe Environment Training. I plan to attend the training session at _____ Parish on _____ and will contact the parish to sign up.

PRINTED NAME: _____

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