



# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* requires that all children enrolled in Catholic Schools and Parish Schools of Religion receive Safe Environment training. The Diocese of Baton Rouge will provide such training for grades K-12 utilizing the program, *Circles of Care*.

The *Circles of Care* lesson for your child's grade level is scheduled on the following date: Tuesday, January 19, 2016. Parents have the right to opt their children out of receiving Safe Environment training. If you choose not to have your child participate in the training, it is required that you sign and submit this form to: St. Joseph School Office by Thursday, January 14, 2016. You may return the form by fax to the following fax number 985-386-0560 or in person. It is the responsibility of the Parents/Guardians to ensure that School/PSR personnel indicated above are in receipt of this form. The *Circle of Care* lesson plan for your child's grade level may be reviewed at [www.diobr.org](http://www.diobr.org). You need only sign and return this form if you do not want your child to participate in the safety lesson.

I do not wish my child to participate in the *Circles of Care* lesson. I acknowledge that the Safe Environment training materials have been offered to me for the purpose of training my child on this subject.

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Parent / Guardian Signature

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Parent / Guardian Print

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Date

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*"The mission of St. Joseph School is to encourage our students to have a zeal for their Catholic faith through prayer and service and to provide students with the opportunity to develop their God-given talents through academic excellence."*