

Dear Parents or Guardians,

As a parent or guardian, you have the right to choose whether your student participates in the *VIRTUS Safe Environment* program. If you determine that you DO NOT want your child to participate, please complete the "opt-out" form at the bottom of this page and return it to your child's teacher or catechetical leader. Please realize that if you do not have your child participate in these lessons, you yourself are assuming the responsibility to talk to them about the content of these courses.

We encourage you to read the "overview" and "lesson plan" so you'll be aware of the nature of the *VIRTUS Safe Environment* program. Your child's teacher or local catechetical leader can give you access to these documents or you may visit the *VIRTUS Online™* website at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and click on the "*Touching Safety Program*" in the left hand bar. Both names refer to the same program.

Sincerely in Christ,



Therese Seiler  
Vice Chancellor, Catholic Diocese of Wichita

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**Opt-out form for use with the Touching Safety program:**

\_\_\_\_\_ does not have my permission to present the *Touching Safety*

(Name of School or Parish)

program, to my child whose name is \_\_\_\_\_.

Parent/Guardian's name  
(printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(This form is to be kept by the School or Parish for four years.)