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TO: Parents
FROM: Saint Joseph School
SUBJECT: Opportunity to "opt your child out" of the *Touching Safety* program
DATE: October 6, 2022

Saint Joseph School will present a sexual abuse prevention program, the *Touching Safety* program, to our students in Religion classes in October. The creators of the *Protecting God's Children*TM program developed the *Touching Safety* program. This program is provided to us by the Archdiocese of Seattle and is a part of our ongoing effort to help create and maintain a safe environment for children and to protect all children from sexual abuse.

The scheduled lesson is being offered to all students at Saint Joseph School. As a parent, you have the right to choose whether your student participates. If you have questions about the program or the lesson, please contact Mary Yamoah, mary@stjoevanschool.org. 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 no later than October 11, 2022.

For more information on the *Touching Safety* program, visit the VIRTUS *Online*TM website at www.virtus.org.

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

Saint Joseph School does not have my permission to present the *Touching Safety* program to my child whose name is _____.

Parent's name (printed): _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Date: _____