

Safe Environment

Curriculum (Teaching) Information

The curriculum which the Archdiocese uses is from the Circle of Grace program. "The goal of the Circle of Grace program is to educate and empower children and young people to actively participate in a safe environment for themselves and others."* For more detailed information regarding this program and other aspects of the Archdiocesan curriculum, click [here](http://www.archokc.org/religious-education-office/safe-environment-curriculum). <http://www.archokc.org/religious-education-office/safe-environment-curriculum>

The Holy Spirit's Religious Education program also teaches the Circle of Grace program. The Church's Religious Education teaches the program mainly through the Christian Formation Program. It is taught towards the beginning of the school year. Paper copies of each individual grade's curriculum are available through the Church's Director of Religious Education.

This is not a sexuality education program. However, it is completely within your rights to refuse the teaching of this program from the Church. We do have certain directives which we must follow:

- The program taught through the Church was offered to your child
- You refused to allow your child to participate in the formal program and sign a form indicating this
and
- You receive the Safe Environment curriculum materials in order to optionally present the program to your child, if desired.

An alternative program of religious instruction will be offered during the times of teaching this program to others.

*Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. Religious Education Office. June 28, 2012.
http://archokc.org/multimedia/doc_download/264-safe-environment-curriculum-goals-and-objectives

Training Workshop 2016 Calendar

Monday, February 15, 2016

Monday, May 9, 2016

Monday, August 15, 2016

Monday, November 14, 2016

All workshops are scheduled for 7 pm to about 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall Classroom #1.

All who are 14 years old or older and participate in the church ministries of usher, choir, nursery, or Religious Education teacher/teacher aid must attend a Training Workshop.

Completed applications must be turned in to the church office prior to training. If no applications are received, the Training Workshop will be cancelled.