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IN OREGON

CHILD PROTECTION PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN/YOUTH  
Parent's "Opt-out" Form

In an effort to assist in the monumental mission of protecting children from abuse, Christ the King Catholic Church is partnering with you to present a safe environment lesson to your youth within their youth program. It is our cherished role as adults to fully protect children. In addition, we must also teach children about their safety rights and boundaries, so that they have tools to protect themselves.

This school year, your child will be presented with a program entitled *Empowering God's Children*, in which Lesson Leaders present a safety lesson to children that houses a grade-appropriate video component along with a hands-on activity. The material is designed to better equip your child to know their rights, recognize their boundaries, and to empower them to protect themselves when safe adults are not immediately available—and ultimately be safer from people who might want to harm them. Youth will participate within one of the following lessons:

Lesson 1: *Physical Boundaries: Safe and Unsafe Touching Rules*  
Lesson 2: *Safe Adults, Safe Touches and Special Safe Adults*

By signing this form, I acknowledge the above and elect NOT to have my child(ren) participate in the child protection programs. I also acknowledge that I was offered the opportunity to review these programs for minors. I have received materials I can use at home to talk to my children about personal safety and agree to take responsibility for educating my child(ren) on the topics covered.

Parent's/Guardian's Reasons for Opt-Out:

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(Parent's/Guardian's Signature and Date) \*

# of Children Being Opted-Out \_\_\_\_\_

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(Parish/School Name and City)

Child(ren)'s Grade Level(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Pastor/Principal Signature and Date

\*Opt-out will be in effect until the next June 30 following the date of the Parent/Guardian signature.

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