



**TO: The Parents of 4A**

**FROM: Holy Rosary School, Seattle**

**SUBJECT: Opportunity to “opt your child out” of the *Teaching Safety – Empowering God’s Children* program**

**DATE: October 8, 2018**

Holy Rosary will present a sexual abuse prevention program, the *Teaching Safety – Empowering God’s Children* program, to our students in October 2018. The creators of the *Protecting God’s Children*® program developed the *Teaching Safety – Empowering God’s Children* program. This program is provided to us by the [NAME of archdiocese or diocese], 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 Holy Rosary School. As a parent, you have the right to choose whether your student participates. We encourage you to read the attached “overview” and “lesson plan” so you’ll be aware of the nature of the *Teaching Safety – Empowering God’s Children* program. If you have questions about the program or the lesson, please read over the linked overview of the program, or contact Mary Simpson. 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, 2018.

For more information on the *Teaching Safety – Empowering God’s Children* program, visit the VIRTUS Online™ website at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

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

Holy Rosary School does not have my permission to present the *Teaching Safety – Empowering God’s Children* program, to my child whose name is

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**Parent’s name  
(printed):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent’s Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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