

VIRTUS Training

Everyone must take the VIRTUS training.

No other training can be substituted.

All coaches for soccer, basketball, etc. must take the VIRTUS training.

The Diocese requires all parents, and anyone else who works with SJN students, to take this training. If you read stories in a classroom, cook with the student of the week, chaperone field trips, help in the library, Discovery Center, Cinco de Mayo, carpool, office, recess, lunch duty or anything else, you need to attend a VIRTUS class.

Unfortunately, this is not an option for us. The school will be audited to check our compliance.

The website is www.virtus.org. When you bring up the web page, the first thing you must do is go to the left side and register. Use your email address and create a password. Once you do this, you will be able to enter the question and answer phase and be able to choose a time to take the training. If you have technical problems, the school office will try to assist you.



Do to the nature of the films and discussion, children may not attend VIRTUS training sessions.

Dates/Times:	Aug 26 th	6:00-9:00 PM	with Cherie Smith in the library
	Aug 29 th	1:00-4:00 PM	with Cherie Smith in the cafeteria
	Sept 10 th	6:00-9:00 PM	with Mrs. Cole in the library
	Sept 21 st	6:00-9:00 PM	with Cherie Smith in the cafeteria
	Oct 14 th	12 Noon-3 PM	with Mrs. Cole in the library

Short description of program:

Protecting Children

Child sexual abuse is a worldwide public health issue. Child abuse, particularly child sexual abuse, is reprehensible—especially when the wrongdoer is affiliated with the Church. The VIRTUS® programs assist the Church in being a safe haven for children and a messenger for preventing child sexual abuse within the Church and society in general. We seek to achieve this lofty goal through our child sexual abuse prevention program: PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN™.

The PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN™ Program

Most organizations that work with children have some sort of child safety program. Through the PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN program, we maximize those efforts by helping churches and religious organizations refine their roles as child safe environments and empowering them with new tools to help them, and adults and parents, protect children.

You must register online before attending a session. When you take this class, you are given several references where you can check on information for your neighborhood. Please add this website to those references

www.familywatchdog.us.