

St. JOSEPH'S REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2019 National Blue Ribbon School for Academic Excellence

Dr. Janine Bertolotti, Principal

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

The vigilant work of teachers and staff to safeguard our students by promoting a safe environment has always been and will continue to be a strong and unwavering priority at St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School. As noted in the Archdiocese of Washington *Child Protection Policy* (March 2007):

"All children have the right to be safe and protected from harm in any and all environments – home, school, religious instruction, neighborhoods and communities. The Archdiocese of Washington embraces this right to safety and is dedicated to promoting and ensuring the protection of all children."

For this school year, we are committed to the continued instruction of the Personal Safety Education Program for our children, which are age-appropriate lessons that prepare students to recognize and avoid potentially dangerous situations.

In the very near future, you are invited to an information session to further explain the Personal Safety Education Program and answer any questions that you may have. The date of this session will be Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 7:00 pm. If you would like to attend, please RSVP at principal@stjosrcs.org by November 1.

My gratitude is extended to all of you for your support and encouragement as we work together, family and school, to keep the safety and welfare of our students as our primary responsibility. Let us all pray that we may always express the love of Christ for children and the most vulnerable in our midst.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Janine Bertolotti

Principal