

# Safe Environment Workshops



The Safe Environment Team provides a **REQUIRED** training program to ensure that all St. Peter's church and school volunteers, staff, and clergy are able to recognize and report child abuse and neglect.

If you are a new volunteer, you will need to attend a 2½ hour training workshop and complete a volunteer application/background check. Every 5 years, you will need to recertify by attending the workshop. Volunteers fall into one of three categories:

**LEVEL A Volunteers** have brief, limited, or infrequent interactions with children while volunteering. Level A volunteers are required to complete a volunteer application only.

**Examples:** *"One-time-only" volunteer or preparing baked goods from home*

**LEVEL B Volunteers** have regular and frequent interactions with children but are never one-on-one with children. Level B volunteers are required to complete a volunteer application including a list of three references. **Examples:** *Halloween Carnival, Helping in cafeteria, with Drop-off/Pick-up, or with Classroom Parties*

**LEVEL C Volunteers** have regular, unsupervised, one-on-one interactions with children. Level C volunteers are required to complete a volunteer application including a list of three references & written consent for background check.

**Examples:** *Teachers, Substitute Teachers, Coaches, Catechists, Mission Trip volunteers, Field Trip chaperones, and Vacation Bible School*

## 2013 – 2014 Workshop Dates:

Thursday August 29 after Open House, 7:15 – 9:30pm

Sunday September 15, 1:30 – 4:00

Sunday January 12 2014, 1:30 – 4:00

Sunday May 4 2014, 1:30 – 4:00

**Please register by calling Mrs. Vivian Branch in the Church office at 757-3259 ext. 201 in order to ensure that we have materials for you. Thank you!**

Safe Environment Team

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