

**Authorization for Teens (ages 16 & 17)  
to attend the initial Safe Environment training,  
"Protecting God's Children for Adults"  
VIRTUS® Training**

According to the "Diocese of Syracuse: Child and Youth Protection Policy", all clergy, all members of religious communities, all employees, and any volunteer whose ministry places them in contact with minors are required to participate in the "Protecting God's Children Training for Adults" VIRTUS® training program.

As this program was designed for the adult population, it is necessary that parental permission be granted in order for teens between the ages of 16 & 17 to attend.

***\*Teens age 15 and younger are not allowed in the training.***

Should you elect to have your 16 or 17 year old son/daughter participate in this training, please fill in the authorization below and return it to the Safe Environment facilitator on the day of the session.

Questions or concerns may be directed to Jacqueline Bressette, Director of Safe Environment and Victim Assistance at 315.470.1465 or at [jbressette@syrdio.org](mailto:jbressette@syrdio.org).

Name of Teen	_____
Signature of Teen	_____
Date of Birth	_____
Street Address	_____
City, State, Zip	_____

My child, _____, who works/volunteers at _____ (Name of school/parish and location) has my permission to participate in the "Protecting God's Children Training for Adults". I understand that the materials are geared toward an older audience, but feel that my son/daughter is mature enough to understand the content and participate in the training session. By signing this form, I declare that I am the legal parent/guardian of the minor listed above and authorized to grant such permission. Parent/Guardian Name _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Telephone _____ Date _____
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