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Dear Parents and Guardians:

In placing your child in our Catholic schools, you trust that we will help them grow in relation with God, their peers and their community. As a way of fulfilling that trust, the schools of the Albany Catholic Diocese will continue to teach child safety programs. Currently, All Saints Catholic Academy is using *The Safe Side* and *Child Lures* Curriculum to comply with the United States Conference of Bishops Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People requiring that each diocese establish, "Safe environment programs, and to provide education and training for children, youth, parents, educators...to make and maintain a safe environment for children."

We recognize that parents are their child's first and best teachers. If you prefer that your child NOT take part in the Child Safety Instruction in school, you must notify us in writing of that request. Your request will be kept on file here in your child's personal file. Written opt-out requests are due no later than Friday, January 29, 2016. No action is required if your child is to participate in child safety instruction.

More information about *The Safe Side* and *Child Lures* curriculum may be found on the following websites: www.thesafeside.com and www.childluresprevention.com.

Blessings, Ms. Johnson Principal