



Dear Parents (7th & 8th grade):

We are pleased to announce that this FSR school year, we will be providing our students with abuse prevention skills that they can use virtually anywhere-school, home, sports, clubs, band, teams, and in all interpersonal relationships!

Called to Protect™ for Youth is a self-protection training program that uses DVD, facilitated discussions, and interactive activities to teach youth:

- What their emotional, physical and behavioral boundaries are
- Ways that child abusers try to violate these boundaries
- Ways to respond if a person tries to violate their boundaries
- How to report abuse that has happened or is happening to them or someone they know.

The DVD features a diverse group of actors who convey current statistics and skills in a studio format. The facilitated discussions encourage kids to talk to each other using their own common language. The interactive activities allow teens of different cultures and backgrounds to unite and work together.

The program, developed by Praesidium, the national leader in abuse risk management, is not sexual education. The content has been written and developed by experts and is age-appropriate for grades five and higher.

Called to Protect™ for Youth will be presented to your teen's class **some time during the month of January** with our *Virtus* trained facilitator's Diana Hudock & Morgan Marshall

We recommend all youths have the opportunity to learn these valuable skills. **As a parent, you have the option of requesting that your child *not* participate in the above program.**

The content may be very explicit and quite upsetting to some and we wanted to give you the opportunity to look it over if you would like, or if you wish that your teen does not participate in these sessions (3), please note the OPT-OUT page.

If you wish to OPT-OUT please contact Diana Hudock as soon as possible to go over alternate plans for these days.

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Called to Protect™ for Youth

OPT-OUT FORM

To be completed and signed by a parent/guardian if you choose that your child **NOT** attend the Called to Protect™ for Youth sessions. Students who opt-out of the *Called to Protect™* for Youth program are to arrive for PSR as usual. We are planning to have an alternate PSR lesson during this time if they will not be sitting in with the rest of the class.

Student Name:_____

Parent/Guardian Signature:_____

Date:_____