**"Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program**

**Archdiocese of Los Angeles**

**"Permission Slip"**

**2021-2022**

***TO: [Parent or Guardian]***

***FROM: [Name of School, RE, Confirmation or Youth Program]***

***SUBJECT:* "Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program**

***DATE: [Date]***

The Office of Safeguard the Children for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is once again providing the "Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program to all schools, Religious Education Programs and Youth Ministry. The program focuses on empowering children and young people with the knowledge, understanding and tools they need to keep themselves safe from abuse.

**Year 2:** **Boundaries & Bullying** will be taught to our students during the month of **[MONTH].** The lessons include the VIRTUS®Introductory Video "Empowering God's Children," a variety of classroom activities, a Parent/Child Take-Home activity, and a "Catechetical Connection" to the Catechism of the Catholic Church to magnify God's desire for the happiness, health and safety of all children and young people.

Also included is a lesson on Summer Safety to be presented to classes at the end of each school year to remind our students to put "Safety First."

If you would like additional information regarding “Empowering God's Children &Young People©" Safety Program, or if you would like to review the materials/videos, please feel free to contact **[Contact Name] [Contact Number**] or you may visit the Safeguard the Children website at [www.archla.org/safeguard](http://www.archla.org/safeguard).

**[Name of School or RE, Confirmation or Youth Program]**

**Parent Permission Slip for the *Safety* Program**

I understand that this form must be completed and returned by **[DATE]** for my child to participate in the "Empowering God's Children & Young People©" Safety Program class lesson. My signature below is authorization of my permission for my child’s participation.

Child's Name (printed):

Parent's Name (printed):

Parent's Signature: Date: