

Saint Brigid of Kildare Volunteer Application

Thank you for offering to volunteer with the children and youth of our parish. Volunteers are indispensable to our programs. Because you will be working with our young people, we require some basic information. Please fill out the information below and return this form to Stacey Nerone, Safe Environment Coordinator, at the parish office or by email. She will then contact you by email to schedule an interview or for additional information and to receive confirmation of your Protecting God's Children attendance and fingerprinting background check results.

Questions: snerone@stbrigidofkildare.org.

Name _____
Last First Middle

Address _____
Street City Zip

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Date of Birth: _____ E-mail _____

Current Employment Location: _____ Current Employment Position: _____

Areas where you would like to volunteer:

- Preschool School Athletics (SBAA) Sunday Nursery Religious Ed
 High School Youth Ministry EPIC VBS Parish Cub Scout 117
 Boy Scout 117 Girl Scouts Family First Childcare Knights of Columbus
 Choir Children's Liturgy of the Word Other _____

References (Please give full names, phone numbers, and email addresses)

Do you have a history of:

- Alcohol or drug abuse? No Yes Mental illness? No Yes
- Have you ever been arrested? No Yes
- Have you ever been convicted of child neglect or abuse of any kind, or a felony? No Yes
- Has your driver's license ever been suspended or revoked? No Yes
- Have you ever been on probation? No Yes
- Please explain any 'yes' answers _____
- _____

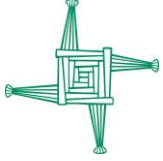
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Date of Protecting God's Children: _____ Location: _____

Date Fingerprinted: _____

Transaction Number: _____ BCII _____ FBI _____ PLC _____

Letter of notification: _____ Photo ID _____ Concussion _____



Saint Brigid of Kildare Safe Environment Code of Conduct

Our children are the most important gifts God has entrusted to us. I promise to strictly follow the rules and guidelines in this Code of Conduct as a condition of my providing services to the children and youth at Saint Brigid of Kildare Parish.

I will:

- Safeguard children and youth entrusted to my care at all times.
- Faithfully represent and practice the teachings of the Catholic Church with integrity in word and action.
- Treat everyone with respect, loyalty, patience, integrity, courtesy, dignity, and consideration.
- Avoid situations where I am alone with children and/or youth at Church activities, ensuring that **two-deep ministry** is a standard practice.
- Use positive reinforcement rather than criticism, competition, or comparison when working with children and/or youth.
- Refuse to accept expensive gifts from children and/or youth or their parents without prior written approval from the pastor or administrator.
- Refrain from giving expensive gifts to children and/or youth without prior written approval from the parents or guardian and the pastor or administrator.
- Report suspected abuse to the pastor, administrator, or appropriate supervisor. I understand that I have a moral obligation to report suspected abuse.
- Cooperate fully in any investigation of abuse of children and/or youth.
- Obey all traffic laws when driving children and youth and adhere to the Diocese of Columbus Volunteer Driver and Cell Phone Policy.
- Abide by the Saint Brigid of Kildare Social Media Guidelines, which I have been provided and read.

I will not:

- Smoke or use tobacco products in the presence of children and/or youth.
- Use, possess, or be under the influence of alcohol at any time while working with children.
- Interact with or engage children and youth through personal social media.
- Use, possess, or be under the influence of illegal drugs at any time.
- Pose any health risk to children and/or youth (i.e., no fevers or other contagious situations).
- Strike, spank, shake, or slap children and/or youth.
- Humiliate, ridicule, threaten, or degrade children and/or youth.
- Touch a child and/or youth in a sexual or other inappropriate manner.
- Use any discipline that frightens or humiliates children and/or youth.
- Use profanity in the presence of children and/or youth.
- Drive a vehicle not in compliance with regulations and/or inspections while driving children.

I have read and understand the above Code of Conduct. I understand that any action inconsistent with this Code of Conduct or failure to take action mandated by this Code of Conduct may result in my removal as a volunteer with children and/or youth. I also agree to attend a "Protecting God's Children" session and submit to a criminal background check.

Printed Name

Signature