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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People requires that all children enrolled in Catholic Schools and Parish Schools of Religion receive Safe Environment training. The Diocese of Baton Rouge provides this training for grades K-12 utilizing the program, Circle of Grace.

The Circle of Grace lesson(s) for your child's grade level is scheduled on August 24, 2025.

Parents have the right to opt their children out of receiving safe environment training. If you desire to opt your child out of Circle of Grace training, it is required that you sign and submit this form to Shana Bender, at the following email address shana@materdolorosa.net or FAX 985-878-6260 by August 22, 2025.

DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM IF YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO RECEIVE CIRCLE OF GRACE TRAINING.

Circle of Grace lesson plans for your child's grade level may be reviewed at Child & Youth Protection: Roman Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, LA (diobr.org). Scroll down and click on the link titled Circle of Grace Log In. The password is CareSafeChurch.

I do not wish my child to participate in the Circles of Grace lesson. I acknowledge that the Safe Environment training materials have been offered to me for the purpose of training my child on this subject.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Child's Name

Date

Child's Grade/Section

CIRCLE OF GRACE OPT OUT LETTER _____
AUDIT YEAR 2025-2026