



“As Bishop I insist that our parishes and schools be as safe as we can possibly make them for our children. This is a responsibility that I take seriously and insist upon, not simply to fulfill the requirements as set forth in the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, but because I want to ensure the safety of all children. Safe Environment training is not a sex

education program, but a program designed to talk to children about relationships, character development, and sexual abuse. For most people, these are not easy subjects to navigate. Therefore, the program includes engaging, age-appropriate processes to help parents discuss these sensitive issues directly with their own children. This program and others like it are supported by the Bishops of the U.S. as well as the Holy Father, Pope Francis.”

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael W. Warfel".

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