

Safe Environment Training

We take the safety of our youth very seriously. Since 2002 we have followed the guidelines of the United States bishops regarding adults who work with our youth. Using the program provided by the Diocese of Birmingham, we have made sure that any adult who teaches, chaperones or works with our youth in any way takes the course and has a background check.

We have just received news that our Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon will now have its own program for certification. It is the one used by Catholic Mutual which is our insurance company.

During this transition time, the Eparchy will provide some leeway for people who have recently completed the training offered by the Birmingham Diocese.

Please check to see which category you fall into:

1. If you have taken the training provided by the Eparchy and requested a background check through them, your certification will be valid for 5 years.
2. If you completed the training offered by the Diocese of Birmingham **between May 1-August 30, 2019**, the Eparchy will honor that certification for one year. You will have to be certified by the Eparchy's program by August, 2020. **We must send the certificate of your course completion to them.** This applies even if you have completed the Youth Protection program at another place, such as one of our Catholic schools. Outside of this time period, you must take the Eparchy's training program now.

You will still need to request a background check from the Eparchy.

The training can be done by following the directions below:

1. Go to <https://eparchyofourladyoflebanon.cmgconnect.org/>
2. Create a new account: Complete all the boxes under "Register for a New Account." This includes address, primary parish, and how you
3. Your dashboard will show you the required and optional training curriculums that have been customized for your particular category within the Diocese.
4. Locate the **A. ONLINE Safe Environment Training & Background Check - Our Lady of Lebanon curriculum option** under the Required Trainings area.
5. Click Start Curriculum. You will complete the online training which includes videos and questions, review of policies, and submission of your background check details.
6. On the last page of the curriculum, enter your background check details. Please enter your name as listed on your government issued identification.

NOTE: The curriculum will remain marked as In Progress on your training dashboard until your background check is processed and reviewed for approval. Processing can take up to 7-10 business days

If you have questions, you may contact Jeanette Wyrick at 837-5411 or jeanettewyrick4@gmail.com or Beverly Kimes at 837-2558 or bkkimes@aol.com. Beverly will serve as our Parish Coordinator for the Safe Environment Program. Remember, this includes anyone who works with our youth- teacher, chaperone, host for youth event, helper for MYO breakfasts, etc.. Thank you for making us a safe environment for youth.