



NEW CHILD SAFETY PROGRAM

*St. Mary's School, in partnership with the family and church,
provides a Christ-centered education in the Catholic tradition
by nurturing the development of each child, in order to reach his/her full potential.*

Dear Parent or Guardian,

In our continuing commitment to support the safety of our community, St. Mary's School is pleased to announce our participation in the SmileSafe Kids® program, a new child safety program developed in partnership by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) and Lifetouch National School Studios.

This new program will provide the families of every student photographed on school Picture Day with a pair of Safety ID Cards free of charge.

According to the Department of Justice, nearly 800,000 children are reported missing each year. While most missing children are found within a few hours, we know that any time apart from your child can be a stressful and terrifying experience. The SmileSafe Kids® program is designed to help your family stay safer and prepare you to respond quickly if your child is missing.

**Your child must be present on Picture Day to receive
the complimentary safety cards.**

Additional information about the SmileSafe Kids® program will be included with your child's safety cards a few weeks after Picture Day. In the meantime, please visit www.smilesafekids.com for more information about the program.

At St. Mary's School, the health and well-being of your child are top priorities. We're proud to be a partner in the SmileSafe Kids® program, one of the nation's largest child safety initiatives.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Nancy Buening
Principal

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