

ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE

Office of Child & Youth Protection

Policy and Procedure Requirements

1. Clergy/Religious

- Application, interview, reference process completed, reviewed, and documented by Office of Clergy Personnel, Vocations, or Consecrated Life (*hard copy*)
- CJIS/ Fingerprint Check completed and CJIS results received and documented by Office of Clergy Personnel, Vocations, or Consecrated Life (*hard copy*)
- *A Statement of Policy for the Protection of Children & Youth* reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- *Code of Conduct for Church Personnel* reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- Training regarding child abuse and the protection of children completed and updated annually (*VIRTUS*)

2. Employee

Adult Employee

- Archdiocesan Application for Employment completed and reviewed at covered entity (*hard copy – Application for Employment form*)
- Interview conducted and documented to determine eligibility and suitability by covered entity
- Three (3) professional references provided, checked, and documented at covered entity (*hard copy – Archdiocese employee reference form*)
- References for employment with **any** previous archdiocesan parish, school, or institution checked and documented by covered entity (*hard copy – Archdiocese employee reference form*)
- CJIS/ Fingerprint Check completed for employees 18 years of age or older and CJIS results received by covered entity (*hard copy*)
- Criminal History Screening completed and results received (*VIRTUS*)
- *A Statement of Policy for the Protection of Children & Youth* reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- *Code of Conduct for Church Personnel* reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- Training regarding child abuse and the protection of children completed and updated annually (*VIRTUS*)
- CPS Background Clearance request form completed and submitted to local CPS office by new employee within 3 days of reporting to work (*hard copy*)
- ****If Service includes driving**** Driving Record Check completed and results received and updated every 5 years (*VIRTUS*)

Minor Employee

- Archdiocesan Application for Employment completed and reviewed at covered entity (*hard copy – Application for Employment form*)
- Interview conducted and documented to determine eligibility and suitability by covered entity
- Three (3) professional references provided, checked, and documented at covered entity (*hard copy – Archdiocese employee reference form*)
- References for employment with **any** previous archdiocesan parish, school, or institution checked and documented by covered entity (*hard copy – Archdiocese employee reference form*)
- *A Statement of Policy for the Protection of Children & Youth* reviewed (*AOB Website*)
- *Code of Conduct for Church Personnel* reviewed (*AOB Website*)
- Acknowledgement of Review completed (*hard copy*)
- Training regarding child abuse and the protection of children completed (*Worthy of the Call*)
- ***Child Care Workers Only*** CJIS/ Fingerprint Check completed and CJIS results received by covered entity (*hard copy*)

3. Volunteer

Volunteer who will have substantial contact with minors

- Archdiocesan Application for Volunteer Service completed and reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- Three (3) references provided, checked, and documented (*hard copy – Archdiocese volunteer reference form*)
- References for service and/or employment with **any** previous archdiocesan parish, school, or institution checked and documented (*hard copy – Archdiocese volunteer reference form*)
- Criminal History Screening completed and results received and updated every 5 years (*VIRTUS*)
- *A Statement of Policy for the Protection of Children & Youth* reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- *Code of Conduct for Church Personnel* reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- Training regarding child abuse and the protection of children completed and renewed every 5 years (*VIRTUS*)
- ****If Service includes driving**** Driving Record Check completed and results received and updated every 5 years (*VIRTUS*)

Volunteer who will NOT have substantial contact with minors

- Archdiocesan Application for Volunteer Service completed and reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- *A Statement of Policy for the Protection of Children & Youth* reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
- *Code of Conduct for Church Personnel* reviewed (*VIRTUS*)
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