

# CALLED TO PROTECT

1. What is *Called to Protect*?
  - Called to protect is a program created by a company called *Praesidium* (1-800-743-6354)
  - The goal of the program is to inform young adults about the tactics and strategies used by “predators” so they will be able to recognize when an adult may be violating their boundaries.
  
2. How does the program work?
  - The program will be conducted by the Theology department, in Theology class over the coming months (Each teacher will determine the dates they will conduct the program)
  - The program will take approximately 1 week
  - The program consists of three major sections.
    - i. A section normally includes a brief introduction by the instructor, a 15 to 20 minute video segments, a group activity, and a closing discussion led by the instructor.
  
3. What does the program teach my child and how does it present the information?
  - The program presents a group of 3 boundaries: physical, emotional, and behavioral.
  - The program defines each boundary and gives examples of when an adult maybe violating a particular boundary.
  - The program also suggest ways for a young adult to avoid or escape from an environment where they feel they are in jeopardy; such as what to say to the adult/predator, who to seek out for help, as well as what can be done to help a friend who may have been mistreated by an adult.
  - The video uses real stories, told by actors, in a one on one fashion.
    - i. Both the predator and the victim discuss the incident. (Actors speaking directly to the audience.)
  - There are general references to inappropriate activity specific to each boundary. No situation or event is graphically described or reenacted in the program.
  
4. Why are we instituting this program?
  - The program has been made mandatory by the Arch Dioceses of Detroit.

-If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school. Dr. Tom Kaiser or Cormac Lynn will be able to address any concerns you may have.

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