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Safety Coordinator Recognition Award 2023

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you this years recipient of the Safety Coordinator Recognition Award. This award is given out each year in the month of April (Child Abuse Prevention Month) to a site Safety Coordinator who demonstrates full competence of the Safe Environment Program for the Diocese of Salina and is fully committed to the protection of children.

I am happy to announce this year's winner..



The role of the Safety Coordinator is no small task. It is of great importance and each one serves as an extension of the Safe Environment Office at the Diocese as well as at the USCCB. Tracy is very deserving of this award and is an invaluable member of the Safety Coordinator team at the Chancery and to the staff, parents, and students at Holy Family Elementary School - Hays. Please join me in congratulating Tracy Perrett.

CMGConnect

Safety Coordinators, please log in weekly to your CMGConnect platform to ensure that all clergy, educators, employees, and volunteers (who minister with minors), have completed all safe environment requirements.

Please make any necessary updates, including archiving those users who no longer minister in our diocese.

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, Just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep"

~John 10: 14-15

All parishes and schools are reminded to place this announcement in their parish bulletins and/or school newsletters/websites quarterly, then provide the Safe Environment Office a copy for diocesan files. If you need to change the format, please contact the SE office.

Report allegations of the abuse of a minor to the Department of Children and Families 800.922.5330 KBI Crime Hotline 800.572.7463

If you suspect abuse of a minor by church or school personnel, in addition to contacting civil authorities, the diocese provides a confidential

Hotline: 866.752.8855 ext.1067
Website: reportandprotect.com
Email: reportabuse@salinadiocese.org
Reports will be responded to promptly by the
Victim Assistance Coordinator

To report an incident of sexual abuse and related misconduct by a Bishop or Religious Superior currently or in the past, the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Services provides a confidential Hotline: 800.276.1562

Website: reportbishopabuse.org

The Diocese of Salina complies with Kansas laws regarding reporting suspected abuse to civil authorities and cooperates with civil authorities investigating reports of suspected abuse by all persons, including but not limited to Church Personnel.

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Questions regarding reporting should be directed to the Safe Environment Office Diocese of Salina -785.827.8746

God is light; and in him there is no darkness. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another."

1 John 1:5-7



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2023 SAFETY COORDINATOR SHOUT - OUTS



During the month of MAY, we recognized and honored Michelle Coonrod.

Michelle is the Safety Coordinator of Manhattan Catholic Schools and has been with Manhattan Catholic Schools (MCS) for five years as the Administrative Assistant. Prior to working at MCS she was a stay-at-home mom to four growing and very busy kids: Kelsey (21), Cole (18), Cameron (15) and Cain (13). Michelle's strong communication skills, attention to detail and compassion are what stand out most in her role as Safety Coordinator at MCS. These key attributes are so important as we continue to train and educate people in our parishes, schools and community; with our mission, promise to protect, pledge to heal. We greatly appreciate Michelle's work as Safety Coordinator and all she does at MCS.

'Be Strong and steadfast; Have no fear or dread of them, for it is the Lord, Your God, who marches with you; He will never fail you or forsake you." Deuteronomy 31:6.

During the month of APRIL, Tracy Perrett was recognized as Safety Coordinator of the year!

Tracy has been the Safety Coordinator of Holy Family Elementary School since 2017. Tracy is married to her high school sweetheart, she and Eddie have two boys, Seth and Ben. She is a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays, KS and co-chair of the Art and Environment Committee as well as a Eucharistic Minister. Tracy is professional, organized, dependable and hard working. Tracy's strong communication skills are what stand out most, which is so important as we continue to train and educate people in our parishes, schools, and community; with our mission, promise to protect, pledge to heal. Tracy's passion, dedication to protecting children and attention to detail is unsurpassable. We greatly appreciate Tracy's work as Safety Coordinator and all she does at Holy Family Elementary in Hays, KS

> Isiah 40:31. "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

Previous Shout-Outs:

March 2023 Christina Whitehair - St. Andrew's School - Abilene February 2023 Susan Kisner - IHM Parish - Hays January 2023 Michele Goscha-Laumann - St. Mary's Parish - Smith Center

"To serve is beautiful, but only if it is done with joy, a whole heart and a free mind."

PROMISE Protect

Believe in

the possibility of help and healing.

There is hope

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