



**TO:** Principals

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**RE:** *Called to Protect* and *Talking About Touching* Resources

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As we enter the third year of the expanded Safe Environment Program, it is time to review the resources available in your building.

### ***Talking About Touching***

As you know, when the expanded program launched in fall of 2007, Archbishop Brunett purchased two *Talking About Touching* (TAT) kits for each school. Each school received one kit for Pre-K/Kindergarten and one kit for Grade 1-3.

If you find that you would like additional TAT kits:

- **Pre-K/Kindergarten Kits:** Please contact Juliet Kandel at Committee for Children. (206) 438-6511 or [jkandel@cfchildren.org](mailto:jkandel@cfchildren.org).
- **Grade 1-3 Kits:** We may have access to some additional kits. If you have multiple classes for Grades 1-3 and feel you need an additional kit, please contact the Safe Environment Office. Please also let us know how many classes you have for each grade.

### ***Talking About Touching*** trainers:

- In spring of 2007, at least one person from each school was trained to be a trainer for TAT. This trainer is certified to train the rest of the faculty how to use the TAT curriculum in their respective classes.
- As staffs change, you may find your school without a trainer. While there are no immediate plans for another TAT training at this time, we would like to assess the need in the schools. If you feel another faculty training would be helpful, please email us at [sep@seattlearch.org](mailto:sep@seattlearch.org).

### ***Called to Protect***

The program for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade, *Called to Protect for Youth*, is part of the larger *Called to Protect* Program. As you know this program requires a certified trainer to facilitate the class.

**If you do not have a certified *Called to Protect* Trainer in your building, please identify someone to attend a *Train-the-Trainer* class this year.** Every parish/school should have a *Called to Protect* trainer in their community. After attending the two-day class, the trainer will be certified to facilitate *Called to Protect for Ministries*, *Called to Protect for Parents & Families* and *Called to Protect for Youth*.

Thank you for your continued commitment to protection all God's children! If you have any questions, please call (206) 274-3188 or [sep@seattlearch.org](mailto:sep@seattlearch.org).