



Archdiocese of Hartford  
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## **VIRTUS Online: Protecting God’s Children training for First-Time Registrants**

The training duration is approximately an hour and a half. Please complete the training in one sitting without trying to jump ahead. If you try to fast forward and “skip” the videos, the system might close up and lock you out and you will have to register all over again. If you begin the training but then log off, you will also have to register all over again. The only person who will receive credit for the training is the person whose name is on the account. “Group Sessions” (where one person creates an account and multiple people are gathered around the computer to watch the videos) will **not** be accepted. The only group sessions that will be accepted are pre-approved, in-person trainings with a certified Virtus Facilitator.

Please note that the training modules are not compatible on smart phones or other mobile devices.  
Training must be completed on a laptop or desktop computer.

If training is not completed within 90 days of registration, your account will be automatically deleted and you will have to go through the registration and training process from the beginning.

- 1) Enter [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) in your browser’s address bar
- 2) On the left side of the screen, click “**First-Time Registrant**”
- 3) Click “**Begin the registration process**”
- 4) Select “**Hartford, CT**” from the drop down menu and then click “**Select**”
- 5) Click “**NO**” when it asks if you’ve registered before
- 6) **Create Username & Password** – one that you will remember (both are case sensitive) then click “**Continue**”
- 7) **Fill in information** on the next page then click “**Continue**”
- 8) Select the parish/school where you will be **PRIMARILY** volunteering/employed from the drop down menu, then click “**Continue**”. **Select your role**, and **enter your Title/Function** down at the bottom, then click “**Continue**”
- 9) On the next page, add another location if you are at multiple parishes/schools. If not, select “**NO**”
- 10) **Answer the questions on the next page**, then click “**Continue**”
- 11) On the next page, click “**NO**” when it asks if you’ve previously attended a session
- 12) If you are ready to begin the training, click “**yes**”
- 13) Select which online training to complete. You can select additional languages on the next screen (English, Spanish, Korean, or Vietnamese, Polish, or Portuguese) as well as videos with closed captioning.
- 14) Once complete, you will receive a Certificate which must be sent to me at [fwainer@stgeorgeguilford.org](mailto:fwainer@stgeorgeguilford.org) (snail mail, email or dropped off).

Please reach out with any issues registering or questions,

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