**FAQs on Substantial Contact for Liaisons**

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| Question: Can you define "substantial contact with children" for me?  Does this mean any parent volunteering in the classroom?  What about parents volunteering for recess duty and/or lunchroom duty? I thought they needed to be compliant to attend field trips.  Is this correct?  What about classroom parties?  Thanks for your clarification.Answer: Recess Duty: Yes, must be volunteer compliant. Chaperoning fieldtrip: Yes, having oversight of other children. Cafeteria Duty: Yes, when the adult is in arms reach. If they pass out food and there is a barrier, then no.  |

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| **Question: At the parish, we hold Lenten Soup Suppers where our high school teens serve soup for the parish. It's a fundraiser for Work Camp and other ministries at Nativity. In addition, there's a hosting ministry each week that provides additional volunteers to help serve alongside the teens.****I'm wondering what the guidelines are for parish-wide events that bring volunteers together of all ages. Do all adult volunteers need to be OPCYP compliant since they will be serving soup alongside the teens? What about parents who plan to volunteer? Please advise. Of course, I will have at least two fully compliant adult volunteers from youth ministry who will supervise the teens throughout the night.****Answer: Thank you for the question. Those adults who are working with the youth in the kitchen should be compliant. Those who are working with them directly should also be compliant. All others in the public sphere there is no need.** |

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| **Question: I have a couple of parents that want to volunteer in the Library just helping organize the new shelves, it would not include contact with kids. So I was thinking in those cases would not be necessary the criminal background search just the virtus, sign code of conduct and the policy? Is that correct?****Answer: We only require those volunteers that will be in substantial contact with children.** **In this case, they will not be required to go through the volunteer compliance process.**  |

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| **Question: If a parent wants to chaperone a field trip do they have to complete the whole background check and attend a Virtus session?  Even if they are never one-on-one with a student?****Answer: Yes, they will need to become compliant (background check and training).**  |