Get the Lead Out

Catholic schools are known for giving students a lifelong ability to lead. But, in some cases, we may also unwittingly be giving them the lifelong curse of lead. Lead in drinking water can potentially put students at risk for behavioral and learning problems, slowed growth, anemia and hearing loss. In some cases, it can cause seizures, coma and even death. Pregnant women who consume lead in their drinking water can unwittingly risk reduced fetal growth or premature birth. Lead in water can happen even in the most well-maintained schools and churches, so it's important to know the facts about whether it's currently an issue in your buildings and what you can do about it. To learn more, please contact your Risk Management representative.

Protecting the Church's people and assets is at the top of everybody's priority list, and responsible key control plays a huge role in that. Knowing exactly who has keys is the first rule of key control, but there are others, including securing certain areas of the building with access cards, and ensuring that all windows are secure. You can learn more about our recommendations on key control, by clicking here.

Kids' Comings and Goings

Whether it's at school or Religious Education, drop-off and pick-up can be a chaotic time. But there are ways to make it, at least, controlled chaos. For the safety of everyone involved, we recommend following specific procedures for drop-off and pick-up, and making sure that all parents, students and staff are familiar with them. For more information, please contact your Risk Management representative.

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