



DISTANCE LEARNING

Best Practices



Consider your Location

Engage in online forums from public areas of your home - dining room, office space, living room, etc. The backdrop should be free from adult related paraphernalia, such as signs or displays of alcoholic beverages.



Consider your Attire

Wear professional attire, similar to what you would wear to school normally.



Consider your Platform

Limit your contact with minors to public group platforms such as Google Hangouts, Zoom, or Flocknotes. Direct, private connections, such as FaceTime are discouraged unless a parent is present.



Scheduling Meetings

Schedule online face-to-face contact with minors in advance in a group forum and with the knowledge & permission of parents or guardians. Individualized learning can happen in small group settings rather than one-on-one.



Meeting Access

Arrange to mainly host group meetings with students and always provide parents with links/access to the meeting, emails, and other messages. Utilize technology that allows you to control who is in the virtual meeting.



Student Contact

Avoid sharing personal contact information, instead, provide minors with parish or group related email addresses or accounts. Only meet personally with minors if a parent is present.

Protecting God's Children