

Code of Ethics for People Working with Children and Youth of Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church and Parents of RE Students

All parents, guardians, teachers, and teaching assistants are considered to be leaders within the Religious Education program at CLUUC. Adult and other youth who are in leadership roles are in a position of stewardship, and play a key role in fostering spiritual development of both individuals and the community. It is, therefore, especially important that those in leadership positions be well qualified to provide the special nurture, care and support that will enable children and youth to develop a positive sense of self and a spirit of independence and responsibility. The relationship between young people and their leaders must be one of mutual respect if the positive potential is to be realized. There are no more important areas of growth than those of self-worth and the development of a healthy identity. Adults play a key role in assisting youth in these areas of growth. It is critical that leaders not engage in behavior that constitutes verbal, emotional or physical abuse nor sexual, seductive or erotic behavior or harassment.

By signing this (or a Health and Safety Information form for each child in the the RE Program) I am agreeing to conduct myself in accordance with this code. I understand that appropriate actions will be taken if this code is violated.

Teacher or Teaching Assistant Signature:

Printed Name:

Date: _____