COMPUTER SAFETY FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN

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We have some safety tips for families whose children use the internet. These tips are for both parents and children and are designed to protect our children from on-line predators. If someone "on-line" tries to lure a child to a face-to-face meeting, the police should be notified.

1. DON'T LET YOUR CHILD HAVE A COMPUTER IN THEIR OWN ROOM, OR AT LEAST MAKE SURE THE SCREEN FACES THE DOOR.

2. SEARCH FOR SECRET E-MAIL ADDRESSES YOUR CHILD MAY HAVE OBTAINED AT:

    http://www.four11.com or http://www.lycos.com

3. PARENT CONTROL SOFTWARE INTERNET FILTERING SOLUTIONS FOR PARENTS, SCHOOLS, BUSINESSES, AND LIBRARIES http://www.softforyou.com/index.html

4. NEVER USE AGES, BIRTHDAYS, GRADUATION YEARS OR OTHER PERSONAL INFORMATION IN SCREEN NAMES

5. NEVER GIVE OUT A PHONE NUMBER OR EVEN CALL ANYONE COLLECT (YOUR NUMBER WILL APPEAR ON THEIR BILL)

6. IF ANYONE TRIES TO ARRANGE A FACE-TO-FACE MEETING, CALL THE POLICE

7. KNOW YOUR CHILD'S PASSWORDS FOR ALL THEIR SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS, AND CHECK THEIR PAGES

8. DON'T POST YOUR LOCATION ON YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA PAGE. YOU ARE JUST LETTING PEOPLE KNOW YOU ARE NOT HOME

9. TURN OFF LOCATION SETTINGS ON YOUR PHONE FOR ANY APPS