

Safety on the Computer

Internet predators and exposure to pornography are very real threats to children. Consider the following tips to keep your children safe from dangerous situations.

Talk with your child regularly to remind them:

- Never meet with someone or have someone visit without a parent's permission
- Not to reveal personal information about themselves
- People online may not be who or what they say they are
- Tell an adult if anything feels weird or makes them uncomfortable
- Know your child's online passwords
- Limit the time your child spends on the computer
- If your child turns off the computer when you walk in the room, find out why
- Check into filtering software for your computer
- Establish rules for computer use
- If concerned, keep the computer in a common area
- Report anything suspicious to local law enforcement

