

# Parent Resources for Internet Safety & Bullying and Prevention

<http://www.netsmartz.org/index.aspx>

A site developed through the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children for parents, children, educators, and law enforcement covering various topics from Internet Safety and Cyberbullying.

<http://www.netsmartzkids.org/indexFL.htm> (for younger children)

<http://www.nsteens.org> (for teens)

[www.netsmartz411.org](http://www.netsmartz411.org)

NetSmartz411 is parents' and guardians' premier, online resource for answering questions about Internet safety, computers, and the Web.

[www.cybertipline.com](http://www.cybertipline.com)

The Congressionally-mandated CyberTipline is a means for reporting crimes against children including:

- Possession, manufacture, and distribution of child pornography
- Online enticement of children for sexual acts
- Child prostitution
- Sex Tourism Involving Children
- Extrafamilial Child Sexual Molestation
- Unsolicited Obscene Material Sent to a Child
- Misleading Domain Names
- Misleading Words or Digital Images on the Internet



[www.wiredsafety.org](http://www.wiredsafety.org)

The nonprofit provides tips for teens on how to navigate the Internet safely and for parents on how to keep track of their kids web-based activities.



[www.stopbullyingnow.hrsa.gov/kids/](http://www.stopbullyingnow.hrsa.gov/kids/)

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services has launched a campaign with tips on how to identify and prevent bullying. Its website features animated stories geared toward children to help them recognize bullying behavior.

[www.pacer.org/bullying](http://www.pacer.org/bullying)

A child-advocacy group, which focuses on children with disabilities, offers anti-bullying materials.

## General Tips for Parents:

- Talk with your child about online behavior, safety, and security early on and continually.
- Monitor your child's computer use. Know their passwords, profiles, and blogs. Keep the computer or laptop in a family location.
- Let children show you what they can do online and visit their favorite sites.
- Set limits and clear expectations for computer use.
- Look into safeguarding programs or options your online service provider may offer; these may include filtering capabilities.