

Online Resources +

www.ncmec.org – The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), probably the preeminent child advocate organization in the country; excellent resource for parents, teachers, and any community member interested in keeping children safe. Great downloads and tips for parents.

www.netsmartz.org – Run by the NCMEC, this site provides additional downloads and resources, and sections for children (all ages) with games and PSAs.

www.connectsafely.org – Specifically designed for users with Social Networking sites; provides excellent tips and advice for everything from using Foursquare to preventing your child from participating in sexting. Very up-to-date.

www.getnetwise.org – Produced by Internet industry representatives. Provides instructions on setting filters for browsers and search engines; also has links to software (available for purchase) that monitor your child's usage and time online.

www.childrenpartnership.org – Good site for a number of issues in keeping children healthy and safe, including while online.

www.wiredkids.org – Child friendly areas, but also has sections for parents and caregivers.

www.ikeepsafe.org – Broad partnership that includes members of government, law enforcement and industry; provides resources, including tutorials for children, teens, parents and educators for cyber safety.

www.common sense media.org – Another non-profit, this one provides reviews of a variety of media, with age-appropriate guidelines.

www.digizen.org – Excellent and practical for educators, parents and kids; teaches all how to become good “digital citizens”; also houses the *Let's Fight It Together* film and resources for cyberbullying.

www.chatdanger.com – Provides examples of dangers involved with all forms of chat – including mobile and online gaming – and advice.

www.ftc.gov – Your privacy rights as set by government regulation, plus some very good advice for talking to kids about online safety (particularly an article named ‘net cetera’ found in their ‘consumer protection’ section.)

www.ic3.gov – Use to report fraudulent or suspect emails and other online schemes.

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