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Internet safety for kids

Resource Web sites

USA: <http://www.isafe.org>

i-SAFE America, Inc. is a not-for-profit foundation whose mission is to educate and empower youth to safely and responsibly take control of their Internet experiences. The i-SAFE program provides students with awareness and knowledge to help them recognize and avoid dangerous, destructive, or unlawful behavior and to respond appropriately. The United States Congress has designated i-SAFE America, Inc., a not-for-profit Internet safety education foundation, to bring Internet safety education and awareness to the youth of the nation.

Canada: <http://www.cyberwise.gc.ca/english/home.html>

Cyberwise is a Canadian federal government Web site that promotes safe, wise and responsible Internet use. It has good statistics and links to media (including Internet) education programs such as the Media Awareness Network in Canada. French-Canadians can access the site in French at <http://ww.cyberwise.gc.ca/french/accueil.html>.

Tips for keeping young people safe online

- Have fun being part of a child's online experience.
- Respect a child's privacy, but make certain they know personally everyone on their 'buddy' list.
No strangers allowed!
- Keep the computer where everyone sees the screen.
No hidden screens!
- Keep personal information private.
No personal posting!
- Report strangers who solicit meetings with any child.
- Teach your child how to recognize and avoid predators.