



Illinois Attorney General's Office

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

Digital Safety Education for Parents & Educators

The Illinois Attorney General's Office (High Tech Crimes Bureau) ICAC task force program is committed to keeping youth safe from online exploitation. As we navigate these challenging times and head into the new school year we will continue to educate students and parents virtually. In our efforts to prevent victimization and promote digital safety, we now offer a series of webinars for which parents can glean beneficial information to protect their children. The following webinars are offered:

1

Understanding Your Family's Digital Habits



This webinar encourages parents to examine digital habits within the family to assess their relationship to technology. It educates on how different parenting styles are correlated to specific online behaviors, emphasizing how safety and overall well-being result from good shared habits.

2

Maintaining a Safe Online Environment



This webinar considers the introduction of technology within the household, establishing boundaries as well as ongoing maintenance of your child's online accounts. Recommendations for parental monitoring and advice to parents are shared.

3

Commonly Used Apps (Two Parts-can be condensed to one)



App stores are filled with millions of apps for adults and youth to download, however most teens share a common interest in Snapchat, TikTok, Instagram, Facebook Messenger and YouTube. This webinar highlights the functionality of each and provides resources to learn more.

4

Helping My Child Navigate Online Aggression



This webinar examines online aggression as a victim and perpetrator. Parents and guardians will learn how to detect if their children are being victimized or are victimizing others. Parents should leave this session feeling empowered to teach their children how to appropriately respond to online incidents.

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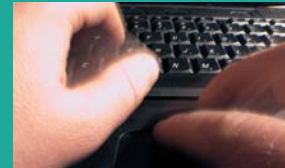
Fostering Healthy /Positive Online Socialization



This webinar explores aspects of socialization and looks at the ways in which socialization has changed as a result of technology and social media (digital socialization). This webinar discusses social skills that prompt healthy interpersonal interactions, which apply to the digital world, and result in cyber safety.

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Preventing Unwanted Online Solicitation



This webinar explores online solicitation of children. Parents /guardians will become aware of how children are solicited online and how to detect if their child (ren) has been victimized. Parents should leave this session feeling empowered to teach their children who to communicate with online and how to respond if solicited.



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What You Should Know About Sexting



This webinar discusses the widespread phenomenon of taking and sending explicit images. It defines "sexting" and offers data on its prevalence among differing age groups and defines "child pornography." Revenge porn is discussed and suggestions are offered for avoiding these issues and to stay safe from its effects.

8

Building Online Resilience



This webinar shares ideas to build online resilience, to which children will have the tools to positively bounce back from negative experiences, as well as navigate the internet with a critical eye.

9

A Teen's Online Image & Their Future



This webinar addresses the power of a positive online image. The importance of maintaining a reputable digital footprint for safety as well as future opportunities is covered. Participants are encouraged to review online accounts through the lens of a review board for future goals.

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Toddlers & Technology



This webinar discusses how babies and infants are using various forms of technology. It will offer suggestions on how to prevent small children from being exposed to harmful content (such as explicit content and violence), along with guidance on kid-friendly media.

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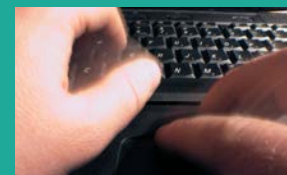
Keeping it Classy: Maintaining a Professional Virtual Presence (For Educators)



This webinar is specifically for teachers and educators (in-services, workshops, etc.) providing recommendations for keeping personal social media accounts professional, as teaching is a public profession. Suggestions will also be given regarding the use of social media for classroom instruction.

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Additional Webinar Offering TBA



As technology advances, and new apps and sites are released, new risks are discovered and a need for updated safety precautions arise. Future webinars from our office will be announced as technology and information evolves.
Stay tuned!



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