

Internet Resources

www.Thatsnotcool.com

This site is designed to address new and complicated problems between teens who are dating or hooking up—problems like constant and controlling texting, pressuring for nude pictures, and breaking into someone's e-mail or social networking page. A site concerning Drawing cellular lines, Picture request pressure, Text monsters, and Cellphone Space invader.

www.GetNetWise

GetNetWise is a public service brought to you by Internet industry corporations and public interest organizations to help ensure that Internet users have safe, constructive, and educational or entertaining online experiences. The GetNetWise coalition wants Internet users to be just "one click away" from the resources they need to make informed decisions about their and their family's use of the Internet.

<http://www.fbi.gov/publications/pguide/pguidee.htm>

A Parents Guide to Internet Safety presented by the FBI

www.usdoj.gov/criminal/cybercrime/index.html

Computer Crime & Intellectual Property Section of U.S. Department of Justice

www.fbi.gov/cyber/cysweep/cysweep1.htm

Common scams and fraud on the Internet; short descriptions and information.

www.fbi.gov/cyberinvest/cyberhome.htm

FBI cyber operations & investigations. Can subscribe to Cyber threat alerts & news.

<http://www.netsmartzkids.org/indexFL.htm>

NetSmartz® is an interactive, educational safety resource from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC) and Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) for children aged 5 to 17, parents, guardians, educators, and law enforcement that uses age-appropriate, 3-D activities to teach children how to stay safer on the Internet.

<http://www.wiredsafety.org/>

Internet safety, help and education resource on just about every topic. Variety of links to Cyber resources & reports.

<http://www.theantidrug.com/>

Parents the Anti-Drug. Mainly focused on keeping teens off drugs but has references and good conversation starters around technology/drugs as well.

<http://www.getnetwise.org/>

Get Net Wise. Internet resource providing a wide spectrum of information and resources for the family to make informed decisions about the Internet use.

<http://www.socialshield.com>

A Fee based service that will tell you where your children have accounts, even the ones they don't want you to know about. We make it quick and easy to see troubling behavior and to look at photos that they have posted or that are posted about them online. We show you their friends and check them out to see if they are who they say they are. We show you their pictures and tell you a bit about them in an easy-to-use gallery. We email you immediately when we see dangerous issues come up like violence, suicide and drugs. We give you all this and more in an easy, understandable and comprehensive format both by email and at your own private website on our secure servers.

Conversation Starters

- Do ask why questions
- Ask about feelings
- Ask Direct Questions
- Engage them in Active questions; How did you, What did you, Did you like
- Be non-Judgmental and non-assuming
- Do not interrogate; getting them to talk is the objective
- Avoid ultimatums or threats.

Kids Want 7 things from Parents/Adults

1. Your full attention
2. To be listened to beginning to end
3. For their secrets to be kept
4. To express their feelings
5. To be asked their opinion
6. To hear about your own failures
7. Not to be made fun of, judged, or ridiculed

The Do's

1. Map out appropriate plan
2. Set guidelines
3. Be Proactive: give resources
4. Talk about danger
5. Talk about Internet activities
6. Remain Connected
7. LISTEN...

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