

# Keep Your Child Safe Online

## 10 Tips

1. Trust your parenting instincts.
2. Talk with your children about online safety—listen to their input.
3. Involve your children in writing family guidelines of acceptable Internet use.
4. Keep the computer in a central area of the house, where it's easier to monitor what your children are viewing.
5. Tell children why personal information should not be shared.
6. Teach children to think critically about what they read, post, and see online. Remind your children that what they do online is NOT anonymous and NOT private.
7. Encourage children to tell you if they feel uncomfortable, upset, or threatened by anything they see online.
8. Surf together and model responsible online behaviors.
9. Educate and empower each other with honest conversations about online behaviors.
10. Consider using Internet filtering software and child-friendly search engines. Use your browser's controls as some offer differing degrees of security for each family member. But remember—no program is a substitute for parental supervision.



For more information, go to <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/cybersecurity>.



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