# Internet Safety Tips for Parents

✔ <u>Do</u> teach your child not to post identifying information on the Internet.

✔ <u>Do</u> set a limit for how much time your child can spend online.

✔ <u>Do</u> keep the computer in a public room in the house. Do not have an Internet-connected computer in your child's bedroom.

✔ <u>Do</u> utilize parental controls provided by your Internet Service Provider and/or blocking software. (Contact your Internet ISP if you have questions).

✔ <u>Do</u> periodically review your child's computer and emails. You should have your child's password.

✔ <u>Do</u> spend time with your child online. Have them show you their favorite online destinations. Get to know your child's online friends as you would their real-life friends. Learn to navigate the web.

✔ <u>Do</u> monitor your child's access to the Internet outside the home.

✔ <u>Do</u> talk to your child about the danger of Internet predators.

✔ <u>Do</u> watch for unexplained changes in your child's behavior.

✔ <u>Do NOT</u> hesitate to seek help from law enforcement if you think a predator may be targeting your child.

For more helpful Internet safety information, please visit www.netsmartz.org. Netsmartz.org has age-appropriate videos, activities, and information for students in elementary school, middle school, and high school.