



# OHIO INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE INTERNET SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS

The Ohio Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force is a collaboration of city, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies under the direction of the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office. Our mission is to identify, arrest and prosecute individuals who use the Internet to exploit children.

## THE REALITY

"76% of young people use a mobile device to access social media with 22% admitting to using a mobile device to hide behavior from their parents."



**"The average young American now spends practically every waking minute —except for the time in school — using a smart phone, computer, television or other electronic device."**

New York Times, 2010



## STAY CONNECTED

Know your children's ID's and passwords to all of their devices, apps, email and social media accounts.

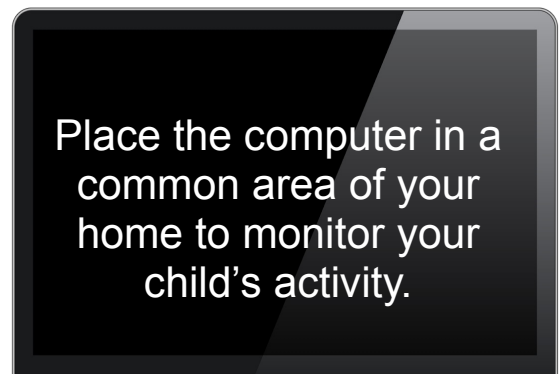


## PROTECT YOUR WI-FI

Unsecured wireless (Wi-Fi) signals can be exploited by predators to access the Internet. To investigators, illegal activity would appear to come from your residence. You would have no idea that someone was using your Internet signal.

## REPORT IT

If you see, hear or experience cyber bullying, inappropriate sexual posts or messages, or any other behavior that makes you or your child feel uncomfortable, **immediately** tell law enforcement.



Place the computer in a common area of your home to monitor your child's activity.

