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Back to school: Online safety

August 22, 2019

Now that summertime is quickly coming to an end, it's back-to-school season. While you're running around getting pencils, calculators and binders, remember something else on your back-to-school list: talking with your kids about online safety.

Yes, your kids are probably online all year long – especially since technology is literally in the palms of their hands. But during the school year they have even more places to connect: at the library, in the classroom, at home and especially on their phones.

But there's good news: it's easy to have these conversations, even if technology isn't really your "thing." Here are a few ways to make these conversations easy and painless.

- Use everyday opportunities to talk to your kids about being online. For example, news stories about cyberbullying or texting while driving can spur a conversation about their experiences and how you expect them to behave.
- Clearly communicate your expectations and how they apply in an online context. Sharing your values clearly can help your kids make smarter and more thoughtful decisions when they face tricky situations. For instance, be specific about what's off-limits — and what you consider to be unacceptable behavior.
- Resist the urge to rush through these conversations with your kids. Most kids need to hear information repeated, in small doses, for it to sink in. If you keep talking with your kids, your patience and persistence will pay off in the long run.
- Keep the lines of communication open. Even if you find out your kid has done something inappropriate online, listen and consider their feelings. You may not have all the answers but being honest and receptive can go a long way.

For more tips on talking with your kids about online safety, visit

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ASSAULT-GLENWOOD MHP CFS 19-76590

4700 block Glenwood Circle, on August 23, 2019 between 3:00pm and 5:49pm the victim was walking home when three males stopped the victim and asked where he was from. The victim told them and the three males assaulted him. The victim feels they are gang members and may have thought that he is a gang member. All persons are Hispanic. CFS 19-76590

BREAKING AND ENTERING-CHAPEL HILLS CFS 19-77251

13000 block Chapel Hills Drive, between August 23, 4:00am and August 24, 2019 10:00am someone entered the residence and stole three watches valued at \$13,000.00, a white gold men's bracelet valued at \$100.00, an Erie Conrail Credit Union credit card and a Union Visa Bank card. CFS 19-77251

GRAND LARCENY FROM AUTOMOBILE-LEE'S HILL~WATFORD VILLAGE CFS 19-77267

10600 block Watford Lane, on August 25, 2019 between 2:00 and 10:00am, someone entered the victims unlocked vehicle and stole the clutch Coach wallet, valued at \$200.00 containing a military identification card, gift cards, and several reward cards. Later, the wallet and some contents were found. Missing is the victim's driver's License and credit cards. CFS 19-77267

GRAND LARCENY OTHER CFS 19-77859

Jennie's Nails, 5067 Jefferson Davis Highway, on August 27, 2019 between 11:00 and 12noon the victim was in and outside the building and had a brown leather wallet in a pocket. The victim returned inside and noticed that the wallet was missing. The area inside and out were checked and it was not found. It is a men's brown leather wallet containing a \$200.00 paycheck, and \$600.00.

GRAND LARCENY-BRITTANY COMMONS CFS 19-77264

10000 Moorgate Avenue, between August 24, 8:00pm and August 25, 2019 6:00am, someone entered the unlocked vehicle and stole a blue and black Apple backpack containing computer equipment an Apple Smart Watch, a Dell laptop a Wi-Fi hot spot and some work items valued over \$2,000.00. CFS 19-77264

PETIT LARCENY FROM AUTOMOBILE CFS 19-75780

Walgreens, 5650 Plank Road, on August 21, 2019 between 9:16 and 9:17am the victim left a chain saw in the back of the 1998 Mazda pickup and went inside of the drug store. When he returned to the truck the chain saw was not there. The saw is a 16" Stihl orange and black and us valued at \$220.00. A citizen notified the victim that he saw a white male take the saw from the rear of the truck. The store video shows a white male wearing a white shirt and blue jeans take the chainsaw from the bed of the victims' vehicle. 19-75780

GRAND LARCENY FROM AUTOMOBILE-WATFORD VILLAGE CFS 19-77188

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10500 block Watford Lane, on August 24, 2019 between 11:37 and 11:39pm someone entered the unlocked automobile and stole two pairs of Ray Ban sunglasses. One pair is silver and has blue lenses and the other is pair is brown, aviator style and are valued at \$300.00. CFS 19-77188

PETIT LARCENY SHOPLIFT CFS 19-77005

7-11 Stores, 4640 Lee Hill School Drive, on August 24, 2019 10:15pm and 10:25pm a male took two beers and a bag of potato chips and left the store without paying. He is black, about 50 years, wore a polo shirt. He boarded a black 4-door automobile. Value of the merchandise is \$7.00. CFS 19-77005

PETIT LARCENY SHOPLIFT CFS 19-76578

SUNOCO, 5317 Jefferson Davis Highway, on August 23, 2019 between 4:00pm and 4:15pm a male took two cases of Modelo beer to the counter and asked for a pack of Newport cigarettes. While the clerk was totaling the merchandise, the suspect took the beer and cigarettes and left the store. Value of the merchandise is \$40.59. Suspect is a white male. CFS 19-76578

PETIT LARCENY OF A BICYCLE-LEE'S CROSSING CFS 19-76593

3300 block McClellan Drive, on August 22, 2019 between 6:06 and 6:08pm a male wearing tan shorts, a black t-shirt, and wearing a dark backpack walked past the open garage and returned. The suspect walked into the garage and took a green and silver Giant Sedona bicycle and drove it away. The bicycle is valued at \$300.00. CFS 19-76593

PETIT LARCENY OTHER-MORGAN II CFS 19-77093

6100 block Bills Road, between August 24 3:30pm and August 25, 2019 7:15am, someone stole the Interstate brand boat lift battery from the battery box. It is valued at \$120.00. 19-77093

PETIT LARCENY OTHER-RUFFINS POND CFS 19-77244

2700 block Pittston Road, on August 25, 2019 between 2:00pm and 4:00pm someone stole the victims Black and Decker push mower; the mower is red and black and the bag is black. The mower while it was left in the yard near the house was purchased May 2019 and is valued at \$250.00. CFS 19-77244

COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY CFS 19-77278

Domino's Pizza 6374 Jefferson Davis Highway, on August 25 between 8:15 and 9:11pm a male ordered a pizza and it was delivered to a white male who was waiting in a gray Chevrolet Suburban. The male gave the driver a counterfeit \$100.00 to pay for the \$26.88 pizza.

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FRAUD CFS 19-76305

Exxon, 5409 Jefferson Davis Highway, on August 22, 2019 between 7:50 and 7:55pm a female purchased some Pop Tarts and 20.00 of gasoline and gave the cashier a \$100.00 bill. The clerk did not check it and later found that it is counterfeit. The female is black, between 20 and 30 years of age, wore a yellow t-shirt, light color shorts and yellow crocs. 19-76305

FRAUD-OAKS MHP CFS 19-77873

3700 block Richard Lane, on August 27, 2019 between 3:30 and 4:45pm the victim was at the pharmacy to refill a prescription for a juvenile family member. When the pharmacist checked on the insurance it showed an insurance policy not of the victims' and a name of a female unknown to the victim and the pharmacist. CFS 19-77873

VANDALISM CFS 19-77212

6700 block Williams Lane, between August 24 6:00pm and 25th, 10:00, someone took down a gate that the victim had recently put up on his property. Value of the new gate is \$200.00. 19-77212

VANDALISM-CHANCELLOR GREEN CFS 19-76451

5000 block Macnamara Drive, between August 22, 7:00pm and August 23, 2019 9:00am someone damaged the 1990 Chevrolet pickup truck by smashing the driver's window and the drivers side mirror. Damage is estimated at \$200.00. CFS 19-76451

VANDALISM-SUMMERFIELD CFS 19-75728

4800 block Hicks Drive, between August 20, 8:00pm and August 21, 2019 7:00am unknown person(s) poured sugar into the unlocked 2014 Chevrolet 's gas tank, slashed all of the seats, broke the rear view mirror. Nothing appeared to be missing. Damage is estimated at \$2,500.00. 19-75728

VANDALISM CFS 19-75857

River of Life Worship Center, 7408 Jefferson Davis Highway, between August 20, 6:00pm and August 21, 2019 unknown person(s) unstacked and damaged four new aluminum Market Tilt Patio umbrellas. They are valued at \$247.97. CFS 19-75857

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