



KEEPING OUR TEENS SAFE IN A CYBER WORLD

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION:

This workshop will provide up-to-date information about the *cyber world* our youth inhabit and how to help keep them safe within it. Parents/guardians and school personnel will learn that keeping children and teens safe online requires applying effective real-world parenting skills to cyberspace. Some of the issues that will be addressed include:

Cyberbullying - cruelty to others by sending or posting harmful material or engaging in other forms of social aggression using the Internet or other digital technologies.

Cyberthreats - direct threats or distressing material that raise concerns that a young person may be considering committing an act of violence against others or self.

Sexting - the act of sending sexually explicit messages or photos electronically, primarily between cell phones. Surveys suggest that 20-25% of teens engage in this potentially dangerous behavior.

Presenters:

Dr. Michael Grogan, Director
Jeannette Prandi Children's Center

Melissa Hinkle, School Resource Officer
Novato Police Department

Date/Time:

March 11, 2010
7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Location:

Marin County Office of Education
1111 Las Gallinas Ave.
San Rafael

Audience:

Parents, School Personnel and Community Members

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