

## **Internet Safety**

Internet safety is now the 4<sup>th</sup> top ranked issue in the list of health concerns for U.S. children



## **Cyber Knowledge: A child's guide**

- Behaviors that receive online sexual solicitation
  - Posting personal information
  - Interacting with online strangers
  - Placing strangers on buddy list or sending them personal information
- Never meet up with an individual which you met online without first telling a parent or guardian
- If you are unsure whether a website is safe, ask a parent or parental figure before clicking onto it

## **Cyber knowledge: A parent's guide**

- Download security onto your computers
- Inform your children not to click onto any pop-up's or unfamiliar information
- Set restrictions on your child's computer or gaming system to restrict what they can access
- Talk to your children that not all individuals on the internet are who they may appear to be



## Predators and Trafficking

- Research indicates that 1 and 4 girls and 1 and 6 boys will be sexually victimized before adulthood
- Child pornography has exploded by 200 percent in the last decade
- 6,245 incidents of child pornography happened last year
- 30 to 40 percent of the victims are abused by a family member. 50 percent are abused by a non-family member who they know and trust



## Pornography

- There is evidence which shows that porn makes many consumers more likely to:
  - Support violence against women
  - Believe that women secretly enjoy being raped
  - To be sexually aggressive in real life
- Last year there were 87.8 billion views on pornhub, which is just one pornography website
- A youth internet safety indicated that 15% of 12 to 17-year-old children have purposefully looked at X-rated material online

## Cyberbullying



- Never feel as if you are alone. Reach out for help if something has happened.
  - 71% of young generations say they are concerned about cyberbullying
- Only 7% of U.S. parents are worried about cyberbullying
- The cyberbully research center indicates that 33.8% of students between 12 and 17 were victims of cyberbullying in their lifetime
- 1 in 6 parents know their child has been bullied on a social networking site