

# BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

## Are you smarter than your Internet blogger?

Keeping up with Internet safety and your cyber-savvy kids



Hosted by Glenn Raymond Middle School  
101 W. Mulberry St. in Watseka

A series of three 90 minute educational workshops for parents of children in grades 4 and up which covers internet safety and online predators; cyber bullying; and an introduction to popular youth social networking sites including My Space and Facebook.

### PARENT REVIEWS



*"I can't believe all of this is really happening right in front of our (parents') faces and we don't even realize it."*

*"I was shocked at how fast a predator can get to know a name and address from simple information."*

*"Very educational ... I learned so much!"*

This program is free and opened to all Iroquois County residents. Refreshments and childcare are provided. To register contact James Bunting, Glenn Raymond principal, at (815) 432-2115 or e-mail him at [jbunt@watsseka-u9.k12.il.us](mailto:jbunt@watsseka-u9.k12.il.us).

### **Intro to Social Networking: 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 5**

Jeff Boudreau, technology director with the I-KAN Regional Office of Education, will examine popular social networking sites including My Space and Face Book and provide an understanding of what security options are available for parents to protect their children. Session covers basic cyber talk terminology and what questions parents should ask in order to learn what their kids are doing online.

### **NetSmartz: 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 26**

Officer Angie Kinstner, community educator with the Illinois State Police, will present a general overview of internet safety issues based on *The NetSmartz Workshop* as well as online predator prevention designed to help parents be aware of the dangers children can encounter while on the internet. Officer Kinster also will discuss other available safety resources.

### **Cyber Bullying: 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 16**

With the rise in social networking sites, e-mails and text messaging, bullies are no longer limited to the school yard but looming in cyberspace -- out of sight and earshot from parents and teachers. Nearly 60 percent of children say they have been the targets of cyber bullies. Kim Kerness, community educator with the Kankakee Center Against Sexual Assault and Kami Garrison, community educator with Iroquois Sexual Assault Services, will help parents recognize the signs and provide insights on how to prevent and respond to online aggression.

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