

# BACK TO SCHOOL

## Safety Tips

### In Real Life

If your child is ready to walk to school or a bus stop without adult supervision, make sure to plan the safest, most direct route, and walk it with them beforehand.

Have a plan should your child miss the bus, or their ride doesn't pick them up from school. If they have to walk home, always walk with a buddy.

Teach your child to never talk to strangers, approach a car, or accept rides or gifts from anyone they do not know.

Be sure your child knows their home phone number, your work number, the number of another trusted adult, and how to call 911 for emergencies.

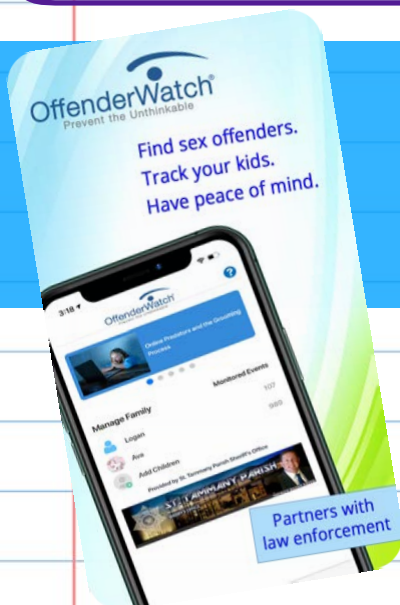
### Online

Connection is great for everyone, but make sure the people your child interacts with online are really their "friends" in real life. Online predators will pretend to be someone they are not and it could become dangerous.

Remind your child that everything they post online lives online forever! So be aware of the content they share. If they share inappropriate pics, they could be used to exploit them.

When searching online, your child may come across some inappropriate content that makes them feel uncomfortable or upset. Let them know to come to you immediately so you can help them with what to do next.

We are all proud of our kids and love to share "first day of..." pics. Remember, the more personal info you share, the easier it is for predators to actually find your child in real life. Keep personal information private!



Always be aware! Download the OffenderWatch App so you can track your kids, locate registered sex offenders near them, and get alerts if they receive unwanted contact via text, call, or email. Scan the QR code below for more info.



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