

PROTECT YOUR CHILD FROM BEING EXPLOITED

- ❖ **BE AWARE** of who your child spends time with, who your child's best friend is, and why.
- ❖ **AVOID** any overnight trips alone with an adult.
- ❖ **DO NOT** put your child's first name on clothing or school books. This puts your child on a first name basis with anyone.
- ❖ **LISTEN** when your child tells you that he or she does not want to be with or go with someone else.
- ❖ **TEACH** your children that they have a right to say NO. Never make your child submit to physical contact if they don't want to.
- ❖ **UNDERSTAND** that no one should want to be with your child more than you. When someone else is showing your child too much attention, ask yourself why.
- ❖ **QUESTION** any money or gifts your child brings home.
- ❖ **ENCOURAGE** open communication with your child.
- ❖ **KNOW** the signs that a child may have been assaulted.
- ❖ **ASK** your school to notify you when your child does not show up for class.
- ❖ **BELIEVE** your children if they say they have been assaulted.

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