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Dear Principal,

With summer fast approaching, we would like your help in protecting Nebraska students from predators who lurk on the Internet. Alarming, one in seven youths receives an unwanted sexual solicitation online, and one in three will be exposed to sexual material online. Of these, only 5% of those sexually solicited and 2% who encountered unwanted sexual material online told an adult.

According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's publication *Online Victimization of Youth: Five Years Later*, 13% of elementary aged children have received some type of sexual solicitation or approach through the Internet. Because we cannot speak to every child, we are hoping you will print and send the attached Safety Tips sheet and a one-page explanatory letter home with your students. As you can see, one page of the Safety Tips sheet is for parents about how they can keep their child safe on the Internet. The other page contains safety tips for students. We hope parents in your district will talk about Internet safety with their child or children so that every Nebraska child will be better protected from online predators.

We appreciate your assistance in this endeavor. Please do not hesitate to give me or Mike Norris, our Project Safe Childhood Coordinator and lead Internet predator prosecutor, a call at 402-661-3700 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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