

SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY & AWARENESS

Presented by Nebraska State Patrol, Lt. Lovelace

Lt. Monty Lovelace is a 22 year veteran of the Nebraska State Patrol and currently serves as the Director of the Nebraska Information Analysis Center (NIAC) and the Nebraska State Patrol Technical Crimes Division. Lt. Lovelace also serves as the Nebraska Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce Commander and oversees administrative and investigative efforts in the taskforce. Prior to his current assignment, Lt. Lovelace spent many years working criminal investigations, to include child exploitation cases. Lt. Lovelace spent many hours working undercover online investigations where he would actively investigate and arrest suspects that were exploiting children. Lt. Lovelace holds Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Missouri Western State University and is a graduate of the Northwestern School of Police Staff and Command.

It is important to establish strong communication with kids regarding their use of electronic devices. Too often kids fall victim to crimes online that could have been prevented with proper training and communication with their parents. In the world we live in, we require kids to have training to drive, we require kids to have training to hunt, but when it comes to a phone we flip it to them and tell them "Merry Christmas" or "Happy Birthday." The truth is, a phone or computer can pose as many risks as driving a car or carrying a loaded firearm, if not used properly. This presentation is designed to provide a snapshot of the risks that kids face online and to provide parents with tips to keep their kids safe. Topics include an overview of the Nebraska ICAC taskforce, Online predators, Sextortion, and cyberbullying. Lt. Lovelace will provide examples of real life cases to illustrate the dangers of the Internet if not used properly.

St John's Gym Monday, May 8th 6:30-7:30pm Parents & Adults only