PROTECTING Your Child’s Identity

We have standing notes that are always paramount to the assurance of continued care for your children.

NOTES of IMPORTANCE:

Sign In: ALL parents “MUST” be signing their child in and out every day! (It is a state law and must be done)

9:am Arrival:
Please remember to have your child here prior to 9:am. Arriving past that arrival deadline may hinder your child’s ability to be cared for. Beyond 9:15am. If you have not called, your child will not be able to attend or stay without a doctor’s note!

Change of Clothes: All children need a weather appropriate change of clothing, with their names on them.

Blankets: You may provide only one blanket. No pillows are allowed.

We Do NOT serve breakfast: We provide a simple snack at 8:30am. Please do not drop off your children with fast food breakfast or home meals. We are not geared to coordinating breakfast needs. Please make sure your children are nourished before they arrive at school.

Lunch Containers: All such containers, boxes, etc. must have an Ice Pack and the child’s name on it.

Footwear: No flip flops or open toed shoes are allowed.

Toys, Gum & Small Items: Please do not allow your children to come to school with Toys, Gum or small items as they tend to cause a disruption with student behavior and some items pose a
How to Protect Your Child's Identity

Kids are especially vulnerable to credit-card fraud because thieves "borrow" their Social Security number for years without anyone finding out. Don't let it happen to your child.

By David Sparrow for Parents Magazine with additional reporting by Jessica Scheetz

With more than 140,000 incidents each year, child-identity theft is one of the nation's fastest-growing crimes. If that doesn't shock you, this might: Your kid may already be a victim. That's because this type of fraud often goes undetected until a child applies for his first credit card -- and finds out he's racked up thousands in phony debt. Erik Larson, president of the consumer-information resource NextAdvisor.com, says taking these precautions will help safeguard your child's good name.

What Is Child Identity Theft?

How to Prevent Child Identity Theft

Be Stingy With Her Social Security Number

If your school or doctor's office requests it, just say no. Don't give it out to your child or carry it in your wallet either (in case it gets lost or stolen).

Read (and Dispose of) the Mail Carefully

Shred anything addressed to you or your child before throwing it out. Also watch for preapproved credit offers, bills, or collection notices in your child's name. These are red flags that someone may be using his identity. If possible, trace the offer back to the source and demand that your child's name be removed from the mailing list.

Monitor Social-Media Use

Identity thieves troll networking websites, so stress to your Club Penguin user the importance of never giving out her full name, birthday, phone number, or house address to anyone online. Know your child's logins and passwords for her online and e-mail accounts, monitor her usage closely, and periodically change the password on all the sites she frequents.
Protect Your Computer
Install software to thwart hackers, such as Norton Internet Security ($40 for a one-year subscription, norton.com). You should also avoid keeping sensitive data on your computer. Store it in a secure location, such as in a safe or on an encrypted flash drive.

Safeguard Smart Devices
Set up a password for your cell phone, tablet, and laptop. Otherwise a thief can instantly gain access to your data or accounts. You should also install an app featuring a GPS tracker and a remote data-eraser that can wipe out any information stored on the device, such as Lookout (free for iPad, iPhone, Android, and Kindle; lookout.com).

Scary ID Stats
- About one out of ten kids has had someone else use their Social Security number.
- Children are targeted for identity theft 35 more often than adults.
About 6 million parents and kids improperly share identity information each year.

Services to Safeguard Your Family
It’s free to get a copy of your child’s credit report at all three credit bureaus. But these ID-protection services may be worth the fee, for your peace of mind. They monitor your credit report and will help you resolve problems if your child becomes a victim.

Privacy Act of 1974 requires that government agencies at the local, state, and federal level disclose to each person whether submitting your Social Security number is required, details on the use of this information, and what law or authority requires its use. Please note that this Act stipulates that no one can deny you a government service or benefit for failing to provide your SSN unless federal law specifically requires it.

You aren’t legally required to provide your SSN to businesses unless one of the following is true:
- You’ll be engaging in a transaction that requires notification to the Internal Revenue Service, or
- You’re initiating a financial transaction subject to federal Customer Identification Program rules.

If you refuse to provide your SSN, companies may choose not to do business with you, but there’s no law that prevents them from asking for it. These are some examples of businesses that require a Social Security number for legitimate purposes:
- Insurance companies
- Credit card companies, lenders, and any other company receiving a credit application from you
- The three main credit reporting agencies: TransUnion, Equifax, and Experian
- Any company that sells products or services that require notification to the IRS, including investment advisors, banks, real estate purchases, financial transactions over $10,000, such as automobile purchases, and other financial transactions

It’s important to remember that, once a company has your Social Security number, there are few restrictions on what they can do with it. You’ll therefore want share this information only when absolutely necessary or required by law. Being very careful about sharing your SSN or any other personal information is a recommended way to help deter identity theft.

Sea of Learning
RESOURCES:
Valuable Resources may be found on our website. Sea of Learning’s Website Link: If you would like to share additional resource information, please contact us.

www.seaoflearningpreschool.com
If you have a specific request for information not presented, please don’t hesitate to ask and we will try out best to find or secure the information for you. We all have questions. Don’t forget to ask.
Free listing of our businesses and services. By utilizing their respective services, you not only helping them but your helping their children, “Our Children”.

**Note:** If any of our parents out there would like to have their businesses presented in our newsletter, please share your interest with our office and we will make every effort to have them listed.

**DONATE:** We encourage our parents and the community to donate supplies and materials to the Sea of Learning as these help provide us with the tools to spark the interests of our children in how they express them selves. Empty paper rolls, scratch paper, etc…

**Decubellis Wellness Center**
7337 Little Road  
New Port Richey, FL 34654  
727-84-CHIRO

**COMMUNITY NEEDS**

As needs don’t go away, we don’t abandon bringing them to light. We continue our request to ask your support and involvement in aiding a dear parent with her fight to live.

**Leslie’s Fight to Live**

Please go to Leslie’s Gofundme link and contribute if you are able or contribute in other ways listed on the site.

https://www.gofundme.com/leslies-fight-to-live

**Follow her most recent updates**

**SABRINA:**
Our continued Prayers for the health of our student Sabrina. When one child is in crisis, it is felt through us all. Prayers for this sweet child. We hope prayers are answered and that love and support are present in the lives of all those impacted by hardships.

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