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## **Local Organizations Team Up to Provide Internet Safety for Children**

**Dobson, NC – November, 2009** Surry Telephone has partnered with the Surry County Sheriff's Office and Surry County Schools to develop a Internet Safety Guide that will be distributed to all students in the Surry County Schools. The brochure provides useful tips, guidelines and resources for parents to discuss with their children.

**"I am proud to be a partner with SCS to offer training, support, and education for our children on Internet safety and guidelines. We MUST educate our children on the dangers of social networking and Internet usage. I am committed to offering services and resources through the Sheriff's Office to help educate and inform our community,"** said Sheriff Graham Atkinson.

The brochure offers parents useful information such as setting guidelines on what personal information is shared, knowing who their children communicate with online, the use of privacy settings to set who can access information, and consistent monitoring of Internet use.

Superintendent Ashley Hinson stated, **"We will harness the power of 21st century learning and technologies all the while teaching your students to be safe and to act responsibly and ethically while using digital technologies."**

Parents are encouraged to review the Internet Safety Brochure and Guide when the students bring it home from school. For more information, contact Surry County Schools, Surry County Sheriff's Office or Surry Telephone Membership Corp.