

Child Sex Trafficking: Red Flags for Parents

Children of all ages are vulnerable to being trafficked. Know the warning signs.

Pay attention if your child:

- Is missing a lot of school without your permission/is truant
- Has unexplained access to large amounts of cash/pre-paid cards/hotel room keys
- Is suddenly in possession of expensive items that you as a parent did not purchase/child cannot afford
- Runs away or reports staying with friends
- Has a sexually explicit online profile
- Suddenly changes peer groups or has new friends with a different lifestyle
- Has a much older boyfriend or girlfriend

Behaviors to be concerned about:

- Extreme/unexplained anger
- Self-destructive behavior/ self-harm
- Mood swings/anxiety
- Recurring nightmares
- Promiscuous/seductive behavior
- Reports things happening to "a friend"
- Fear of a certain person or of being left alone

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