

It's For You



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Investing In Your Future

Scholarship Applications Available February 1

SCTC/PTC is once again offering scholarships to aid local graduating high school seniors in furthering their education. We are proud to continue our commitment to area youth.

Scholarship eligibility requirements and applications will be available at school counseling offices or directly through the SCTC website on February 1, 2011. You may print an application form by going to www.ptc-web.com and clicking the "Community" tab. Notification of the scholarship application deadline will be announced on the website also.

Under a format designed to encourage the participation of a broad range of students, winners will be drawn at random at the 2011 SCTC Annual Meeting in April.

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Children and Internet Safety

Children present unique security risks when they use a computer -- not only do you have to keep them safe, but you have to protect their data on your computer. By taking some simple steps from www.staysafeonline.org, you can dramatically reduce the threats.

- Keep your computer in a central and open location in your home and be aware of other computers your child may be using.

- Discuss and set guidelines/rules for computer use with your children. Post these rules by the computer as a reminder.

- Use the Internet with your children. Familiarize yourself with your children's online activities and maintain a dialogue with your child about what applications they are using.

- Implement parental control tools that are provided in some browsers and available for purchase as separate software packages. Remember – no program is a substitute for parental supervision.

- Consider partitioning your computer into separate accounts. Most operating systems give you the option of creating a different user account for each user. If you're worried that your child may accidentally access, modify,

and/or delete your files, you can give him/her a separate account and decrease the amount of access and number of privileges he/she has.

- Know who your children's online friends are and supervise their chat areas.

- Teach your children never to give out personal information to people they meet online such as in chat rooms or bulletin boards.

- Know who to contact if you believe your child is in danger. If you know of a child in immediate risk or danger, call law enforcement immediately. Please report instances of online child exploitation to the National Center For Missing and Exploited Children's Cyber Tipline.

The Internet is a powerful tool children can use to learn and connect with friends. Teaching them safe surfing practices while they are young can protect them throughout their lives.

Children still need advice, guidance, and protection. Keep the lines of

communication open and let your child know that you can be approached with any questions

they may have about behaviors or problems encountered on the computer.



Get Rid of Telemarketers!

The **National Do Not Call Registry** gives you a choice about whether to receive telemarketing calls at home and on your cellular telephone. Registration for this free service takes a few minutes and is easy to do. Visit the website at www.donotcall.gov and click on the "Register a Phone Number" link or call toll free at 1-888-382-1222 to register. If you are not sure if your telephone numbers are registered, there is another link on the Do Not Call Registry website that lets you verify a registration. If your phone numbers are already in the Registry, you do not need to take further action. Your registration does not expire.

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When you subscribe to our Unlimited Calling Plan for long distance, Caller ID is one of the 13 FREE telephone calling features included in the package that will save you time and make your life easier. Call 503-859-2136 today to sign up or find out more information.

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