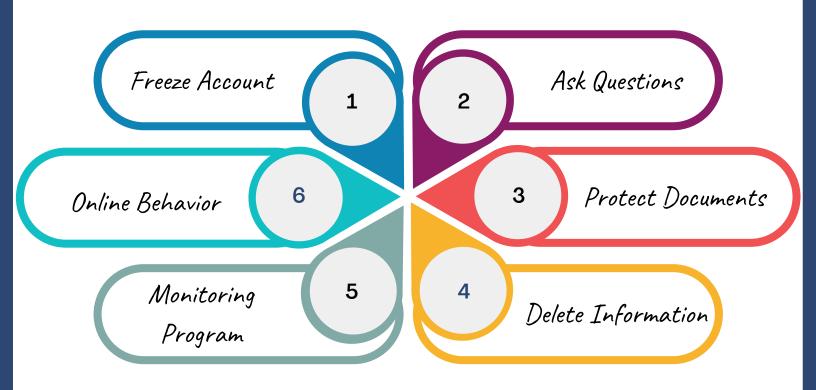


Checklist Checklist Protect Kids From ID Theft





1. Freeze your children's account

If your child is under 16, you can request a free credit freeze, also known as a security freeze, to make it harder for someone to open new accounts in your child's name. The freeze stays in place until you tell the credit bureaus to remove it. (Minors who are 16 or 17 can request and remove a security freeze themselves.)



To activate a credit freeze, contact each of the three credit bureaus.

2. Ask questions before giving anyone your child's Social Security number.

If your child's school asks for your child's Social Security number, ask these questions:

Why do you need it?

How will you protect it?

Can you use a different identifier?

Can you use just the last four digits of the Social Security number?



Protect Personal Information

If you have documents with your child's personal information, like medical bills or their Social Security card, keep them in a safe place, like a locked file cabinet.

When you decide to get rid of those documents, shred them before you throw them away. If you don't have a shredder, look for a local shred day.



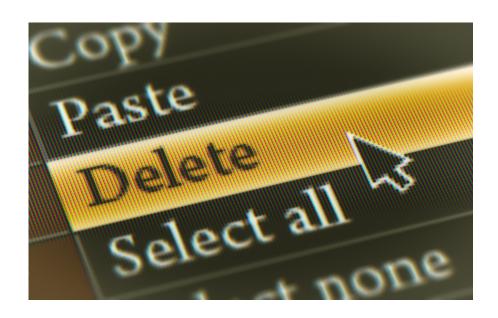
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4. Delete personal information before disposing of a computer or cell phone

Your computer and phone might contain personal information about your child. Find out how to delete that information before you get rid of a computer or a cell phone.



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5. Protect the kids with an Identity theft monitoring program.

You can look for a credit monitoring product that allows you to add children and monitors their credit reports for activity. Reach out to me on laraunandsherunda.com for the monitoring system that I use to protect my family.



6. Educate your children about online behavior

As your child grows older, educate him or her about online privacy and security, and set rules for what information cannot be shared online. Talk to them about how to politely refuse when asked to share personal information online or in person. You can also help them set strong passwords on accounts and





Hello Business Minded People!

Laraun Josey here and I'm excited to share with you some tips to protect your children from Identity Theft.



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