

Thank you Mrs. Hancock, (Marsali), for that introduction.

Good Morning Pease Elementary!

*(pause)*

Oh goodness, some of you must still be asleep!  
Let's try that again....

GOOD MORNING Pease Elementary!

*(pause)*

Now that's more like it!

It is a thrill to be here today. And I am thrilled to be the recipient of the Internet Keep Safe Award. It is one of my heart-felt wishes that all Texas children remain safe from strangers no matter where they are – either outside their home, or sitting at a computer in their own room. It's a true honor to receive this award.

*(pause)*

And I want you to know that the Governor and I are so proud of how much you are learning here at Pease Elementary! Including what we are going to talk about today.

As Mrs. Hancock said, we are here today to talk about how you can be safe while using the **Internet!**

Raise your hand if you have ever used a computer at school?

Good!

It's great that you get an opportunity at school to learn on computers. And it's also great that programs like iKeepSafe are here today to help you learn how best to be safe while using them.

Maybe your teacher or mom or dad have already talked to you about how to be careful when using the Internet. That's wonderful! Or maybe this is the first time you have heard that you even need to be careful while learning and playing on the computer.

Either way, I know we are all going to learn something today by getting involved in this program.

In a few minutes we are all going to get to read and discuss a helpful book called “Faux Paw the Techno Cat.”

You all look very sharp!

And STARTING TODAY, I hope we will all learn to practice safe ways to use the Internet no matter where we are – either at school, at home or at someone else’s house.

I want you to know that it’s very important to the Governor and to myself, that each and every one of you remain out of harm's way.

And if we all work together and help our friends and ourselves practice the safety rules we will learn today, I know we will be much safer Texans!

Thank you all for inviting me today. May you set your goals high and succeed in all you learn!

**(Marian Merritt will now speak about the overall agenda. And then reintroduce you to read the book to the children.)**

Class, are you ready to hear the adventures of Faux Paw the Techno Cat? Great, let's begin.

**(You will now read the book to the group of students. And follow up with two questions.)**

## Question & Answer

**(You will alternate with Marian Merritt asking two out of the four questions to the children. You will ask question #1 and #3).**

1. Did Faux Paw make any mistakes? What did she do wrong? (gave out personal information, told what school the child attends, went to meet a stranger, etc.)

3. Does anyone here open the door for a stranger or speak to people you don't know at the park?

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