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## **Teaching Children to Navigate Through the Next Generation of Cyber Threats**

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WetStone Technologies, a subsidiary of Allen Corporation of America, announced today its partnership with The Training Company and McAfee, Inc. to sponsor the Children's Program at the 2009 Techno Forensics and Digital Investigation Conference being held in Gaithersburg, MD, October 26 – 28, 2009.

In conjunction with the Techno Forensics Conference 100 Maryland middle school students will participate in a hands-on virtual training exercise designed to teach children the dangers of the internet, as well as safety tips. This training, to be conducted at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will enable the children to experience a real life scenario in which they help authorities capture online predators. This program will be facilitated with the help of WEBWISEKIDS ([www.webwisekids.org](http://www.webwisekids.org)).

“We envisioned the opportunity to bring the real stakeholders, our children, to Techno Forensics this year in order to listen, and to teach and recruit the next generation of cyber cops. Our team, NIST and the Montgomery County schools are taking a leadership role in shaping the future” stated Chet Hosmer, Sr. Vice President at WetStone and Allen Corporation. “In order to attract the best and the brightest we need to involve them in the process as early as possible, understand their perspective and give them information that will not only help protect them, but will help us create the future.”

“While progress has been made over the past decade to combat online dangers, they remain very real for our kids,” said Pamela Warren, cybercrime strategist, McAfee. “Education, like the Children's Program at the Techno Forensics and Digital Investigation Conference, is a key part of the McAfee Initiative to Fight Cybercrime, and will result in safer kids online.”

For more information regarding this program and how you can participate please contact us today.

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