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## iKeepSafe Announces Virtual Format for 2021 NICE K12 Cybersecurity Education Conference

**[Washington D.C., February 23, 2021]** iKeepSafe, together with the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE), announces that for a second year, the NICE K12 Cybersecurity Education Conference will be a fully virtual event. In an effort to be mindful of the continued disparate impacts of COVID-19 to include health concerns, travel restrictions, budget impacts, and based on the conference's continued commitment to equity and inclusion, the Conference will once again bring its community spirit and networking energy to an inspiring and engaging *online space.* 

The <u>NICE K12 Cybersecurity Education Conference</u>, previously slated to take place in St. Louis, Missouri, will now be a virtual experience on December 6-7, 2021 where attendees will engage with cutting-edge presentations, networking, and resources—all from the safety and comfort of their home or office. During this exciting virtual event, attendees will:

- Participate in live interactive breakout sessions led by industry experts
- Hear from inspiring keynote speakers
- Explore the virtual exhibitor hall, where they can schedule one-on-one meetings with exhibitors and discover the latest technologies, products and services
- Connect digitally with presenters and peers to network, share ideas, and discuss best practices
- Have access to event content for up to one year after the event concludes, providing an on-demand experience accessible to all schedules

<u>Click here</u> for more details about why the decision was made to hold the NICE K12 Cybersecurity Education Conference as a virtual event again in 2021.

About NICE - The National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE), led by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), is a partnership between government, academia, and the private sector focused on cybersecurity education, training, and workforce development. The mission of NICE is to energize and promote a robust network and an ecosystem of cybersecurity education, training, and workforce development. NICE fulfills this mission by coordinating with government, academic, and industry partners to build on existing successful programs, facilitate change and innovation, and bring leadership and vision to increase the number of skilled cybersecurity professionals helping to keep our Nation secure. For more information on NICE, visit https://www.nist.gov/nice

About iKeepSafe - The Internet Keep Safe Coalition (iKeepSafe) certifies digital products as compliant with state and federal requirements for handling protected personal information. We help organizations achieve and maintain compliance through product assessments, monthly monitoring, annual training, and assistance with remediation. Governors, First Spouses, and State Attorneys General from throughout the United States joined with law enforcement agencies, and child safety advocates in the formation of the Internet Keep Safe Coalition (iKeepSafe) a national effort promoting the safe and healthy use of technology. iKeepSafe was founded by Jacalyn S. Leavitt, former First Lady of Utah, in 2005. Over the past decade, iKeepSafe has evolved into a leading organization trusted internationally by families, educators, and industry. IkeepSafe has been the host of the NICE K12 Cybersecurity Education Conference for the past five years. For more information on iKeepSafe, visit <u>ikeepSafe.org</u>.

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