June means school’s out and family trips are in. While having family fun is the goal, the National Cyber Security Alliance (NCSA) also urges travelers to be cyber safe while away from home by following some simple practices to help keep your devices safe and your vacation plans from going awry.

**TOP TECH TRAVEL TIPS**

DON’T FORGET TO...

**Enable Security Features to Protect and “Find My Phone”**

Misplacing or having your devices stolen can put a damper on vacation plans. It can easily happen to anyone.

What should you do?

- Set up the “find my phone” feature on your devices. This will allow you to find, remotely wipe data and/or disable the device if it gets into the wrong hands.
- Make sure all devices are password protected. Use a passcode or security feature (like a finger swipe) to lock your phone or mobile device in case either are misplaced or stolen.

**Get Wise About Public Wi-Fi**

Using public Wi-Fi at the airport or hotel is very convenient, but wireless networks and hotspots are not secure. This means that anyone using the same Wi-Fi network could potentially see what you are doing on your laptop or smartphone while you are connected.

What should you do?

- Limit what you do on public Wi-Fi and avoid logging in to accounts that have sensitive information such as banking and email.
- Consider using a trusted virtual private network (VPN) or a personal/mobile hotspot if you need a more secure connection.
- Set your device settings to ask permission before connecting to a Wi-Fi network.

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCE**

NCSA’s Online Safety Basics Resources: Securing Key Accounts and Devices

Your online accounts and digital devices contain a lot of important information about you and your friends and family. These resources and tips will help you to better secure them and keep your data safe.

Be in the know about how to secure your continuously connected life by subscribing to NCSA’s mailing list.