

## is coming to CMCA in FEBRUARY!

Established in 1994, Kidpower of Colorado (www.kidpowerCS.org), a nonprofit agency, provides comprehensive safety education skills to children and their families. Kidpower's purpose is to teach young people personal safety and confidence-building skills to reduce their risk of being bothered by strangers and people they know. Our evidence-based programs are known for being *positive*, *practical*, *safe and age-appropriate*. Kidpower has taught more than 36,000 kids and adults in Colorado.

## What skills do children learn?

- > Be aware and confident
- > Keep a safe distance from a stranger
- Avoid getting engaged in unwanted conversation
- Use voice and body to get away from a threatening situation
- Get help from busy adults and to persist until they get the help they need
- > Deal with emotional coercion and intimidation
- > Set boundaries on unwanted touch or bothering behavior with people they know
- > Effectively address situations with bullies

## How do we teach these skills?

- We lead age-appropriate role-plays with skill, kindness and humor
- We create opportunities to "learn by doing" while also having fun and laughing
- > We focus on positive, practical solutions children can use to stop problems as quickly as possible
- > We use upbeat language that is skill-based, not fear based: being "aware" not "wary" and "stranger safety" not "stranger danger"
- We include parents and caregivers every step of the way because they are a child's most important teachers with the power to reinforce the skills every day

Kidpower is happy to answer any questions about specific program content. Please call Jan at 520-1311.

WHO: CMCA STUDENTS, **GRADES 1-5** AND THEIR PARENTS

Child care **WILL NOT** be provided for younger siblings. Please bring a water

bottle and small snack for you and your child.

WHEN: WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 13 & 20, 2013

Participants <u>must</u> attend both sessions

TIME: 6:00PM - 8:00PM

WHERE: CMCA MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

COST: FREE!

OUESTIONS: Call Robin Nickel at 471-1999 ext 1

Class size is limited to 25 students. Sign up is on a first come, first served basis. Please return the form below by **February 8** to the Wahsatch Front Office.

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Child's name:	Age	Grade
Child's name:		
Parent or Guardian:		Phone