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Press Release

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Home but not Alone Academy to give children and parents tips on how to keep children who stay home alone safe

Pinecrest, Fla. – In response to citizen requests, the Pinecrest Police Department will be hosting a second Home *but not* Alone Academy Tuesday, July 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Pinecrest Community Center, 5855 Killian Drive.

For pictures of the first workshop held in June, go to: <http://ge.tt/468HOVo1?c>.

The Home *but not* Alone Academy is an informational workshop that will give parents and children tips on how to keep children who stay home alone safe. It was created in response to a recent burglary attempt where a 12-year-old was home alone.

Crime Prevention Unit Supervisor Sergeant Michael Gorsline will be providing information on how to create a home safety plan, how to prepare your child to stay home alone and will provide take-home safety tips that parents can easily post in home common areas.

A few common tips for children who stay home alone are: 1) Call 9-1-1 before calling parents in an emergency situation, 2) It is better to hide than flee in an emergency situation and 3) keep a television or radio on at all times to deter burglars.

Media is welcome to attend.

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