## **Pointers For Parents**

## Tips On Keeping In Touch With Far Away Children

(NAPSA)—Whether your kids are in college, live far away or just don't live with you, you can still get good grades on keeping in touch.

These days, what makes staying in touch much easier is e-mail. A family newsletter is a fun way to share information with far away kids. It doesn't have to be long, just a few pages to bring them news of what's happening at home, jokes, recipes and anniversary announcements. The newsletter can include a section for brothers and sisters who are still at home to give their news.

Parents who try this, in addition to separate e-mails, will find a faraway child will keep in touch more often and respond with more newsy messages. It's like holding a family reunion in your own chat room.

Another way to keep close to far away sons and daughters is with an "online care package." Instead of sending a check or cash, a gift certificate lets the recipient choose what he or she needs or wants the most and is more memorable. You can go online and buy gift certificates to hundreds of top quality local and national stores to keep that far away student or junior executive well stocked and feeling well-loved.

For the "ultimate" gift certificate, there's the SuperCertificate® from GiftCertificates.com, which



From family newsletters to gift certificates, parents find new ways to keep in touch with their kids who are in college or just live away from home.

can be purchased and redeemed online for gift certificates to popular stores and restaurants, such as Barnes & Noble, CDNOW, Bath & Body Works, Pizzeria Uno and many more.

The GiftCertificates.com site gets high grades from parents and students alike for its simplicity in sending via e-mail. The SuperCertificates are not only redeemable for gift certificates to hundreds of local and national stores, restaurants and movie theatres, but also for airline tickets to bring your child home for a visit.

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