

INTERNET SAFETY FOR CHILDREN

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GUIDELINES TO SHARE WITH YOUR CHILDREN

- SET FAMILY RULES FOR INTERNET USE!
- NEVER SHARE PICTURES OF YOURSELF WITH ANYONE.
- NEVER TELL PEOPLE WHERE YOU GO TO SCHOOL, LIVE, OR ANY OTHER PERSONAL INFORMATION, ESPECIALLY OVER THE INTERNET.
- DO NOT MEET WITH ANYBODY THAT YOU TALK TO ON THE INTERNET. IF SOMEONE ASKS TO MEET WITH YOU, TELL YOUR ADULT IMMEDIATELY.
- DO NOT DOWNLOAD ANYTHING ON THE COMPUTER OR DEVICE WITHOUT PERMISSION WITH THE PARENT.
- TELL AN ADULT IF YOU ARE BEING BULLIED ONLINE

GUIDELINES FOR ADULTS

- HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT INTERNET SAFETY AND USAGE.
- HAVE DESIGNATED SCREEN TIME HOURS FOR YOUR CHILDREN.
- HAVE THE COMPUTER OR DEVICE WITH INTERNET IN A CENTRAL LOCATION WHERE AN ADULT IS PRESENT.
- IF YOUR CHILD EXPRESSES THAT THEY ARE UNCOMFORTABLE ABOUT AN INTERACTION, TAKE THEM SERIOUSLY AND INVESTIGATE.
- HAVE SAFEGUARDS SET UP SO THAT YOUR DEBIT/CREDIT CARD CANNOT BE USED TO PURCHASE ITEMS. MANY APPS OFFER A PASSWORD TO BE SET UP TO APPROVE ALL CHARGES. . . DO NOT SHARE THIS PASSWORD WITH YOUR CHILD.

WARNING SIGNS FOR PARENTS

- PHONE CALLS FROM PEOPLE THAT YOU DO NOT KNOW.
- LONG HOURS ONLINE OR INCREASED ONLINE USAGE- ESPECIALLY AT NIGHT TIME.
- YOUR CHILD TURNING THE COMPUTER OFF OR CLICKING OFF OF A SCREEN WHEN YOU WALK INTO A ROOM

Resources

<https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/net-safety.html>
<https://www.safekids.com/kids-rules-for-online-safety/>