



Internet/Cyber-Safety



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Social Media, the Internet and Your Student:

<https://www.common sensemedia.org/blog/16-apps-and-websites-kids-are-heading-to-after-facebook#>



Digital Footprints

A digital footprint can be traces of a person or footprints people leave online such as texts, emails, videos, digital images or other transmission of information

Think about all of your online interactions: banking, paying bills, purchases, messages...

What does your digital footprint look like?



Concerns for Parents and School Personnel:

Online predators: target both boys and girls on the internet and take advantage since they can be whoever they want. They befriend the victim and empathize with them building a relationship and trust.

Sexting: sending explicit images, texts and or emails by using a cell phone or other mobile device

Cyberbullying: usage of electronic technology includes devices and equipment such as cell phones, computers and tablets as well as communication tools including social media sites, texts, chat and websites■

<https://www.stopbullying.gov/cyberbullying/what-is-it/index.html>



Preventing Cyberbullying/Promoting Safety:

Set-up rules about technology usage

Encourage students to only contact people they know

Check to see what your student is doing online

Monitor text messages on a regular basis

Remember the **POWER** of **BLOCKING**

Do not encourage your student to make hateful remarks about others
online



Preventing Cyberbullying/Promoting Safety:

School Policy

Law Enforcement

Harassment by computer 18.2-152.7:1

Abusive Language to another 18.2-416

Assault & Battery 18.2-57

Threats 18.2-60



Resources:

Commonly used apps:

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Online Safety Links:

<https://kids.usa.gov/parents/online-safety/index.shtml>

<http://www.family safe computers.org/predators.htm>