Internet Safety Tips for Parents

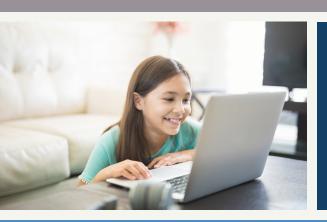


1. Use Safety/Parental Settings

Take the time to research parental controls on your devices. Add additional parental control software to your devices and filter options through your internet provider. Don't let parental controls replace being present and aware.

2. Know Passwords

Help set up accounts so you know user names and passwords.



3. Have a Conversation

Before handing a device with internet access over to your child take the time to have a conversation. Set clear rules and guidelines. Read with them our "Communication Guide for Internet Safety" and have a discussion about each tip.

4. Check In

Check in from time to time. Go through accounts, check sent/received messages and ask your child what they have been doing online. Keep the device in an open area where they will be around others at all times.



Communication Guide for Internet Safety



1. Keeping Personal Information Personal

- I will not give out personal information such as my address or phone number.
- I will not give out my passwords to anyone (even my best friends) other than my parents.
- I will talk with my parents about posting pictures of myself or others online and not post or send any pictures that my parents consider to be inappropriate.

2. Not Everyone Is Who They Say They Are

- I understand not everyone is who they say they are online.
- I will never agree to get together with someone I "meet" online.

3. Open Communication

- I will talk to my parents if I ever experience anything scary or unsafe online.
- We will decide the time of day that I can be online, the length of time I can be online and appropriate areas for me to visit.
- I will not access other areas or break these rules without their permission.

4. Downloading and Links

- I will check with my parents before downloading or installing software that could possibly hurt our device or jeopardize my family's privacy.
- I will not click on links without asking my parents first.

5. I Will Be a Good Online Citizen

- I will be a good online citizen and not do anything that hurts other people or is against the law.
- I will report unsafe behavior I see online to my parents.

