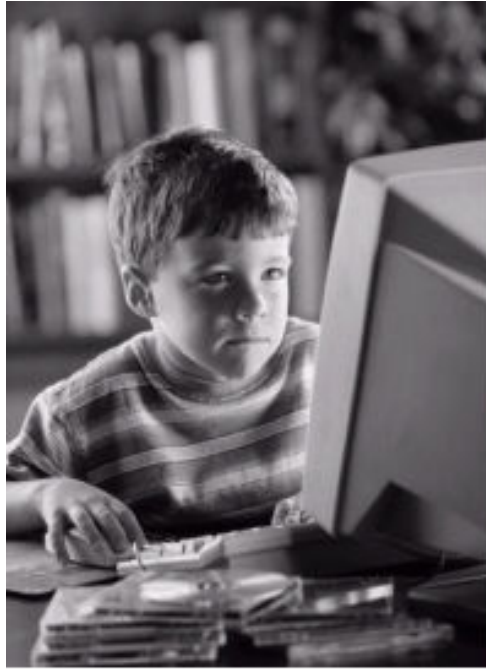


Internet Safety

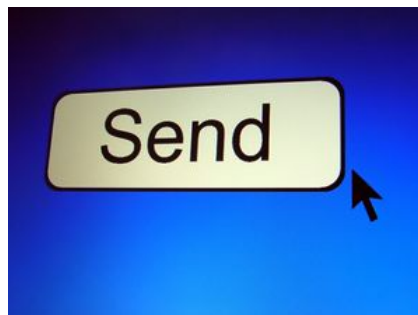


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- **Am I Going To Get In Trouble**
- **Get Someone Else In Trouble**
- **Will This Start A Fight**
- **Cause Disruption In The Classroom**
- **Will I Be Hurting Others**
- **Lose My Computer Privileges**
- **Do Not Start Rumors**
- **Am I Putting Myself In Danger**
- **Bullying or Harassment**
- **If You Cannot Say It To Their Face, Then Don't Say It**

YOU CANNOT TAKE BACK WHAT YOU SEND!



Go By The Rules

- NEVER SEND PICTURES OF YOURSELF TO SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW
- NEVER GIVE OUT YOUR REAL NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER
- NEVER GIVE OUT YOUR CORRECT AGE – DATE OF BIRTH
- NEVER AGREE TO MEET ANYONE ONLINE WITHOUT YOUR PARENTS KNOWING
- WHEN USING THE COMPUTER WITH FRIENDS, REMIND THEM THAT YOU HAVE RULES TO FOLLOW
- SET TIME LIMITS FOR BEING ONLINE
- NEVER GIVE OUT YOUR SCHOOL NAME
- KEEP YOUR PASSWORDS PRIVATE
- DO NOT RESPOND TO STRANGE EMAILS
- IGNORE INVITATIONS TO CHAT WITH A STRANGER
- CHOOSE CHAT ROOMS CAREFULLY
- DO NOT SEND INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE
- YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR ACTIONS ONLINE



**EDUCATE YOUR PARENTS
WITH THINGS YOU KNOW
THAT THEY DON'T**

SAFETY TIPS

DO NOT give out personal information

DO NOT arrange to meet someone you met online without your parents knowing

DO NOT respond to unsolicited emails

TELL an adult about an uncomfortable email, images or web site

DELETE strange emails sent to you

DO NOT download illegal software, programs

USE only your first name or nickname while in chat rooms, IM

DO NOT give out your password – change password regularly

DO NOT bully, harass or incite your friends, classmates or others

DO NOT say anything that you would not say to their face

KEEP YOUR IDENTITY PRIVATE!

REMEMBER: NOTHING ON THE INTERNET IS PRIVATE



SIGNS YOUR CHILD MAY BE AT RISK

Spending large amounts of time online, especially at night

Finding pornography on the computer

**Phone calls from people you don't know, your child making calls,
phone numbers you do not recognize**

Gifts or packages from someone you don't know

The computer is turned off quickly when you enter the room

Withdrawn from family and friends

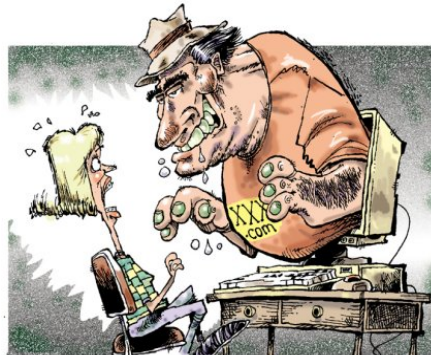
Emails, Instant Messaging, Chat Rooms

Downloading images/movie clips (.jpg .gif .avi .png .tiff)

Internet browser history is empty

Avoids questions about their online conversations

School academics becoming a problem





Online Awareness Keeps Our Children Safe

What do children need to watch for when they're online?

Just like you learned very early to not talk to strangers in the real world, it is just as important to not "talk" to strangers in the cyber-world. "Talk" can be a little different in the cyber-world; it can be e-mail, chat rooms, Web pages or Instant Messages. Just like you wouldn't talk to strangers who drive by your house when you are out in the yard, don't talk to strangers who "talk" to you while you are working on the computer.

Your ID, login and, most importantly, your password are your keys in the cyber-world, and it is very important to not give your keys to anyone except your parents. You wouldn't give the keys to your diary, your desk or even your house to other people in the real world, and you shouldn't give your keys (your ID and passwords) in the cyber-world to other people, even your friends. (Source: Purdue Kids Club)

Instant Messaging

Instant Messaging (commonly referred to as IM) is a method of online communication similar to e-mail, except that it is generally faster. Using an IM program such as Windows Messenger, AOL Instant messenger, or Yahoo! Messenger, you can type the message you want to send and the person you send it to can see it almost immediately. When your friend types a response, you see that right away as well.

Sometimes people refer to instant message conversations as "chatting," but chatting and IM are not the same. IM involves a conversation between two people, while chatting is a conversation in an Internet "chat room."

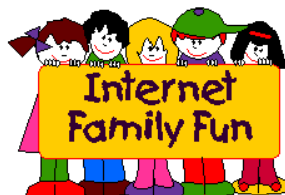
Be careful when creating a screen name

Each IM program asks you to create a screen name, which is similar to an e-mail address. Your screen name should not provide or allude to personal information. For example, use a nickname such as SoccerFan instead of BaltimoreJenny.

Create a barrier against unwanted instant messaging

Do not list your screen name or e-mail address in public areas (such as Internet directories or online community profiles) or give them to strangers. Some IM services link your screen name to your e-mail address when you register. The easy availability of your e-mail address can result in your receiving an increased number of spam, and phishing attacks. (Source: Microsoft Security At Home)

Only communicate with people who are on your contact or buddy lists.



SAFE SITES

- Safe Surfing - www.safesurf.com/safesurfing
- Kid Safe Search Sites - www.sldirectory.com/searchf/kidsafe.html
- Wired Kids - www.wiredkids.org/wiredkids_org.htm
- Get Net Wise - www.getnetwise.org
- The Children's Partnership - www.childrenspartnership.org
- Danvers Police Safe Web Sites - www.danverspolice.com/kidsafe.htm
- Police Notebook - www.ou.edu/oupd/kidsafe/warn_kid.htm
- Safe City - www.nhtsa.dot.gov/kids
- KidSites.com - www.kidsites.com
- Cyber Tip Line - www.cybertipline.com
- Protect Kids - www.protectkids.com



Criminal Harassment

Mass General Law c.265 s.43A

Criminal Harassment - Whoever willfully and maliciously engages in a knowing pattern of conduct or series of acts over a period of time directed at a specific person, which seriously alarms that person and would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress, shall be guilty of the crime of criminal harassment. Such conduct or acts described in this paragraph shall include, but not be limited to, conduct or acts conducted by mail or by use of a telephonic or telecommunication device including, but not limited to, **electronic mail, internet communications** or facsimile communications.

PENALTY: MISDEMEANOR – 2 ½ years Hof C, \$1,000 fine or both.

(b) Whoever, after having been convicted of the crime of criminal harassment, commits a **second or subsequent** such crime, or whoever commits the crime of criminal harassment having previously been convicted of a violation of section 43, shall be punished by imprisonment in a house of correction for not more than two and one-half years or by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than ten years. **FELONY**

The bottom line is; DO NOT use the computer to harass, bully or threaten somebody. It's against the law and this type of crime is taken seriously.





False Report of A Weapon

Mass General Law c.269 s.14

False report of a Firearm, Bomb, or ANY Weapon or Property Capable of Causing Damage – whoever willfully communicates or causes to be communicated, either directly or indirectly, orally, in writing, by mail, by use of a telephone or telecommunications device including, but not limited to, **electronic mail, Internet communications** and facsimile communications, through an electronic communication device or by any other means, **a threat**;

- that a firearm, rifle, shotgun, machine gun or assault weapon, as defined in Section 121 of chapter 140, **or**
- an explosive or incendiary device, a dangerous chemical or biological agent, a poison, a harmful radioactive substance or any other device, substance or item
- capable of causing death, serious bodily injury or substantial property damage
- will be used at a place or location, or is present or will be present at a place or location
- whether or not the same is in fact used or present

20 YEAR FELONY

Threats Causing Evacuation or Disruption of School, Aircraft or Public Inconvenience, whoever;

- willfully communicates or causes to be communicated such a threat
- thereby causing either the evacuation or serious disruption of a
- **school, school related event, school transportation**, or a dwelling, building, place of assembly, facility or public transport, or an aircraft, ship or common carrier, **or**
- willfully communicates or causes serious public inconvenience or alarm

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