

HOW TO TALK ABOUT Internet Safety

Our Internet Safety Program is created for third and fifth students. The program develops your child's understanding of ways to use the internet safely. The program is age appropriate and designed to increase awareness of safety, boundaries, and what children can do if they feel uncomfortable online. Here are some ways to keep the conversation going at home.



Internet Prevention Tips:

Set privacy settings on all accounts to help ensure their safety.

Parents should retain ownership of devices, instead of giving as gifts or allowing children to buy their own.

Set internet usage rules for your family.

Set a rule that devices will be used in common areas of the home, not behind closed doors.




Have conversations with your child about the image they make public online, compared to real life.

Consider open communication rather than punishment. Kids need to feel safe to disclose when feeling uncomfortable online.

Helpful Websites:

netsmartz.org
smartsocial.com
fightthenewdrug.org

More Prevention Tips:

-  facebook.com/thecacnemo
-  twitter.com/thecacnemo
-  instagram.com/thecacnemo



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Apps You Should Know About

Following your child on social media, playing online games with them, and keeping track of websites used can decrease the dangers they could encounter. These popular apps and games make it easy for kids to over-share personal information. It can be done through filters, tagging your location, sharing hobbies, or filling out online quizzes. What seems like innocent fun is unintentionally allowing strangers access to kids' personal lives.



Scan with your smart phone camera for a guide to setting up parental controls on all devices.



TikTok

It allows you to create, share and discover short music videos. This app also links to other apps that can be dangerous for kids and can easily give out personal information, exact location, and background information.

Similar apps:

YouTube
VSCO
Reface

YouNow
Live.ly



Among Us

An online multiplayer game that allows kids to play with friends and strangers, like many other videogames. In-game chat features are moderated, however, kids can still share personal information and be invited to chat privately on other apps.

Similar apps:

XBox Live
Fortnite
Minecraft



Tellonym

This app allows you to ask questions or send messages anonymously. This opens the door for dangerous and unhealthy conversations by promising anonymity.

Similar apps:

ask.fm
YOLO
YikYak
Skout



Snapchat

Users can take pictures, videos, and message people with the promise of it disappearing. Because of this feature, Snapchat has become the preferred method of sexting. Screenshots can still be taken and shared. Snapchat also allows users to see your exact location.

Similar apps:

Facebook
Instagram
Tumblr



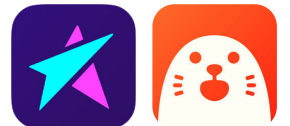
Airtime

A community app rated for 13+ that hosts live rooms based around common interests with the ability to stream music and videos together. This allows users to watch anything with anyone.

Similar apps:

LiveMe
Omegle
Yobo
Holla
Amino

Meet Me
Monkey



WhatsApp

A free app-based alternative texting service that allows text and pictures to be sent without being logged in the phone history.

Similar apps:

Kik
Telegram
Discord

