



Cyberbullying

- Bullying can be public or completely under the radar
- Girls are more often bullied than boys
- Cyberbullies usually remain anonymous but taunts are public
- Within cyberbullying students often change roles from target to bully
- Kids can use instant messaging, social networks, e-mails as well as phones, computers and other networking devices to cyberbully.

What you can do

- Teach kids empathy
- Kids need to understand the fine line between funny and cruel
- Make sure kids have a trusted parent or other adult that they are willing to share problems with
- Help your child be an upstander, not a bystander, show them how
- Show kids how to stop bullying by not responding or retaliating to cyberbullying
- Keep checking in with your kids, as much of their on-line behavior is out of direct adult view

Social Networking Facts

- 95% of 12-17 year olds use the internet daily in the US
- Most use a social networking site
- Social networks keep kids connected to friends and provide for self-expression, collaborating, being creative
- There are no guarantees of privacy, even when higher settings, anything can be cut, pasted and sent
- Inappropriate pictures, posts, or messages can result in damage to a child's reputation
- Kids can tag friends' and violate friends privacy
- Groups created can easily become cliques that may include and exclude members in a hurtful way
- Most kids today start to develop online relationships at around age 8

Stay Safe

- Don't post your location, that is not safe for any teen to do
- Watch the clock, make social networking a reasonable part of the day
- Children should stay away from anonymous applications that allow users to tell others what they think of them
- As a parent the best way to be aware is to go online and get an account for yourself

“Parents Matter”

In a 2011 Survey by Pew Internet and American Life Project

86% of the students said that they get information on how to be safe online from their parents

Healthy Choices

- Give your child good reasons for staying away from unhealthy material.
- Do not just say it is wrong or threaten consequences.
- Ultimately your child has to make his or her own choices.
- Unhealthy material is addictive. Over time people often use it more frequently and use more extreme material. Sometimes people use it to block out bad feelings.
- Unhealthy material is misleading. It has powerful and false messages about people and relationships.
- Unhealthy material is often used in secret. Having a shameful secret is unhealthy and affects relationships.
- Talk to your child about what to do if he or she sees something unhealthy. Do not overreact. Say, “That’s unhealthy,” then suggest going somewhere else.



WHAT EVERY PARENT NEEDS TO KNOW

Parenting Tips

- Make the laptop 'parent owned'
- Set rules and give good reasons for any rules you have
- Post the rules so all can visually see them
- Set reasonable limits, place, time of day, time online
- Talk about expectations ahead of time – before problems happen
- Discuss safety, what kinds of photo, videos, and information are ok to post
- Be a media critic, teach your kids not to believe everything they see or hear
- Model good use of technology yourself. Join the fun.
- Children should use laptops and other such devices in public places
- Show an interest in what your child is doing
- Be part of your child's social network, know your child's passwords
- If you are not happy with your child's behavior on the laptop, respond in the same ways you would to any other misbehavior
- Make sure your child finishes school work before using the laptop for leisure.

It is all about hanging
with friends online

Contact your school counselor or
principal with any questions

Links to Solutions

There are many resources available to parents on-line. Here are some that are especially useful.

On-line Web Filtering

K-9 Good Internet Filter and parent control software for smart phones, Mac, PC. FREE for home use.

k9webprotection.com/



Net Nanny

cost associated

Norton On-line Family

cost associated but as part of virus protection software



For assistance with Kid's issues and to start a dialogue

ThatsnotCool.com



For more information

commonsensemedia.org



wiredsafety.org



SEOUL FOREIGN SCHOOL
55-1 YONHI-DONG
SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA
120-113

