Cyber safety tips for parents

Help your child stay secure in cyberspace

It is important to have an open dialogue with your children on how they interact online, including knowing which games they play and how they are involved in social media.

- Enable parental controls for device and individual apps
- Discuss what personal information not to discuss with online “friends”
- Monitor phone usage, including implementing limits on app purchases
- Check for geolocation settings: A GPS-enabled smartphone can reveal your child’s location through online posts and uploaded photos.
- Read Terms & Conditions that give away Personally Identifiable Information (PII)
- Secure privacy of photos/locations of kids on parent’s Facebook pages
- Search your kids’ images on Google to see if they’ve been replicated on other sites or otherwise used without your permission
- Keep devices out of the bedroom at night by having charging stations in family room

What to do if your child is victimized

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