CYBER SAFETY – PARENT TIP SHEET

Healthy Relationships

Navigating Cyberbullying and Cyberviolence Webinar

- 1. Promote open and supportive communication.
- 2. Learn about social media apps together.
- 3. Set boundaries and rules.
- 4. Encourage privacy and safety by
 - reviewing the social media apps' privacy and safety settings with your child
 - using passwords with numbers, capitals and symbols and considering the use of a phrase
 - keeping passwords private and changing your passwords often
 - avoiding the posting of personal information
 - turning off location settings and encouraging your children not to use geotags.

5. Foster digital leadership and citizenship by encouraging your child to

- highlight talents, skills and attributes to create a positive online brand
- match online profiles and interactions with values
- practise online etiquette
- support those who are experiencing cyberbullying (be an upstander).
- 6. Remind your child to THINK before posting: Is it True? Is it Helpful? Is it Inspiring? Is it Necessary? Is it Kind?
- 7. Encourage your child to reach out for support if they see negative behaviour online.
- 8. Develop an online safety agreement together.

RESOURCES

- Kids Help Phone: Online Safety: Tips for Caring Adults
- PREVNet: What Parents Need To Know about Cyberbullying
- Media Smarts: Canada's Centre for Digital and Media Literacy: mediasmarts.ca/parents
- BOOST Child and Youth Advocacy Centre: Prevention Tips for Parents/Guardians
- Canadian Centre For Child Protection: ProtectKidsOnline.ca, NeedHelpNow.ca, Cybertip.ca
- RCMP: Centre For Youth Crime Prevention
- Ontario Victim Services





