

CYBER SAFETY FOR KIDS WORKSHEET

THE MERRYHILL MIDTOWN PTSO WANTS TO SUPPORT FAMILIES IN MAKING DECISIONS FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR USAGE OF TECHNOLOGY.

PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING COMPILED FROM THE CREDIBLE REFERENCES LISTED BELOW. MAKES NOTES AS NEEDED.

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| Never use a personal picture. | |
| Never reveal your address, phone number, school name or location. | |
| Use a screen name. | |
| Don't share passwords/ use passwords twice. | |
| Never agree to meet anyone. | |
| Click with caution. | |
| Be kind and responsible. | |
| Use and keep anti-virus software updated. | |
| Use parental controls. | |
| Limit use of social media for less than 13 years old. | |
| Parents should not overshare photos of children online. | |
| Beware of apps, websites that enable the device's camera. | |
| Beware of in-app purchasing or advertising. | |
| Parents tell your kids to come and tell you if anything online makes them scared, sad, uncomfortable or confused. | |
| Parents teach your kids they are not "tattle-tales" if they talk to you. | |
| Be aware of voice-masking technology. | |

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| Make sure games are age appropriate. | |
| Parents check "show all history" or "history" tab on browser/search engine periodically to see what website your kids are accessing. | |
| Parents read the parent guide for any gaming platform (e.g. Xbox, Switch, PlayStation) | |
| Use Family Settings on gaming platforms. | |
| Read Google parental reviews for games played and social networks used. These include advice on settings. | |

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