

Internet Safety Pledge

Parent's Pledge	Youth's Pledge
I have spoken with my child/teen, and I am aware that:	I have spoken with my parent/guardian, and I am aware that:

- People make mistakes. And when they do, they need help correcting those mistakes.
- It is important to be open and honest with each other, even when topics are difficult to discuss with my child.
- My child has a right to know that I will be monitoring/filtering their internet access to keep them safe.
- It's my child's job to tell me when they witness or experience something online that may make them uncomfortable. It's my job to ask.

- Nothing is truly private online, and anything I post/share will be on the internet forever.
- Some people online will try to befriend me so they can hurt me.
- It's not my fault if I see something bad online by accident.
- It is not safe to speak to anyone online about personal or family matters. People online, especially people I don't know personally, may use that information to try to hurt me.
- My parents/guardians may monitor and/or filter my activities online to keep me safe. This is not because they don't trust me, but because they know the dangers that exist online.
- Internet use is a privilege. I will continually earn that privilege by following the rules below.

I agree to:

- Set clear boundaries and expectations for my child's internet usage.
- Stay calm and focused on finding solutions when my child comes to me with a problem.
- Help my child find report any uncomfortable, negative, or illicit interactions they encounter while using the internet.
- Intervene in instances of cyberbullying, intimidation, or extortion in a constructive way.
- Only punish my child for breaking these rules if it was purposeful, repeated more than once, or I found out about it from someone/something other than my child.
- Speak with my parent/guardian about rules and expectations for using the internet because "I didn't know" is not an excuse."
- Always log off and tell my parents immediately if I see or receive anything on the internet that makes me feel uncomfortable or threatened, including e-mail messages, websites, images, chats, or even anything in the regular mail from internet friends.
- NEVER** post nude or otherwise illicit photos or videos of myself or anyone else online, whether publicly on a social media post or privately through text, chat, email or any other form of one-on-one communication.
- Ask my parent/guardian's permission before sharing any personal information – including full name, address, phone number, gamer tags, banking information, or location – online for any reason.
- Make my parents aware of all of my Internet login, chat names, gamertags, and social networking profile names.
- Never meet up in person with someone I only know online.
- Tell my parent immediately if I'm being bullied, intimidated, or extorted online.
- Follow these rules no matter where or how I access the internet.

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By signing this pledge, both parent and child acknowledge agreement of these rules and expectations, and agree to uphold these rules and expectations indefinitely.

Parent's signature

Youth's signature

Date

Date

Internet logins, chat names, gamertags, and social networking profile names:
