

Frequently asked questions...

-At what age should I let my children go on the Internet?

Children under ten generally do not have critical thinking skills to be online alone. Make sure they only go to sites you have chosen. Teach them to never reveal personal information on the Internet.

-Should I let my children have their own e-mail account?

Children under 12 should share a family e-mail account.

-Should children be using social networking?

If your children are using social networking sites, you should view their profile to ensure they don't put personal information or photos.

Helpful Internet Sites:

http://www.thedoorthatsnotlocked.ca/app/en/parent/5-7/tools_for_parents

<http://preschoolears.com/blog/keeping-kids-tech-safe/>

<http://www.redcross.ca/what-we-do/violence-bullying-and-abuse-prevention/parents/kids-safety-online>

<http://www.safekids.com/family-contract-for-online-safety/>



Kids Safety Online

Digital Citizenship Awareness

Why Internet safety for children?

The internet is a wonderful place, full of endless amounts of information and resources. However, some people have used the Internet to promote things we do not want our children to be exposed to. Also, perverts and criminals have utilized the Internet to find their victims. Should you avoid your child using Internet? No, there are things you can do to protect your children. As with everything your children do, you should get familiar with the Internet and learn the possible dangers.



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Tips to keep your children safer online

- KEEP your computer in a room the whole family uses so you can monitor the children when they're online.
- GET INVOLVED with their online activities.
- BE a trusted adult your child can come to if something inappropriate happens online.
- HAVE a parent-only password for every computer.
- TEACH your child to be careful on the Internet. NEVER include addresses, school information, full name, birthdate, phone number...
- INSTALL parental control software.
- LIMIT the screen time.



- REMEMBER : everything that you or your child puts online is permanent . Things stay forever!
- FIND a balance: explore, enjoy, communicate and create vs safety and protection.
- EDUCATE your child to become more critical about the information seen on the Internet.

