





A program of Suffolk County District Attorney Rachael Rollins





AGENDA

- ►Intro: Who we are
- ➤ Scope of the Issue: Technology
- ➤ Sexting and Exploitation
- ➤ Approach: Stop, Block, Talk
- ➤ Resources and Support



Meet District Attorney Rollins

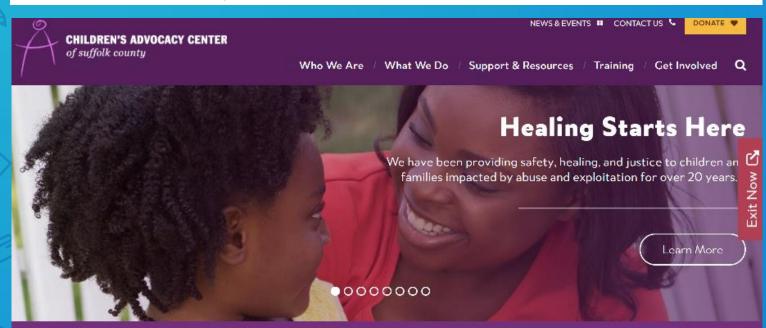


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Suffolk County District Attorney Rachael Rollins is the chief law enforcement official for Boston, Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop,
Massachusetts, and oversees an office of approximately 300 people handling approximately 35,000 new cases each year. She took office on
Jan. 2, 2019, as Suffolk County's 16th district attorney, the first woman to be elected to that position in Suffolk County history, and the first
woman of color ever to serve as a Massachusetts district attorney.

In 2018, the people of Suffolk County chose District Attorney Rollins to represent them as their district attorney – and to effect meaningful, substantive reform to the criminal justice system. She pledged to pursue that mission tirelessly by reducing incarceration, correcting racial and ethnic disparities, adopting alternatives to traditional prosecution, focusing the offices limited resources on serious and violent crimes, and improving relationships between law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve.

Among her first and most impactful initiatives, District Attorney Rollins implemented a policy of presumptively dismissing and/or diverting certain low-level misdemeanor charges. These offenses are often symptomatic not of criminal intent but of mental illness, substance use disorder, and poverty. Instead of using her limited resources to prosecute and incarcerate these offenders, District Attorney Rollins seeks to hold them accountable while providing access to services and treatment to address the underlying issues that likely led the individual to offend. This progressive approach is designed to reduce the likelihood that an individual will reoffend and improve the safety and wellbeing of impacted communities.







Pew Research Center 2018









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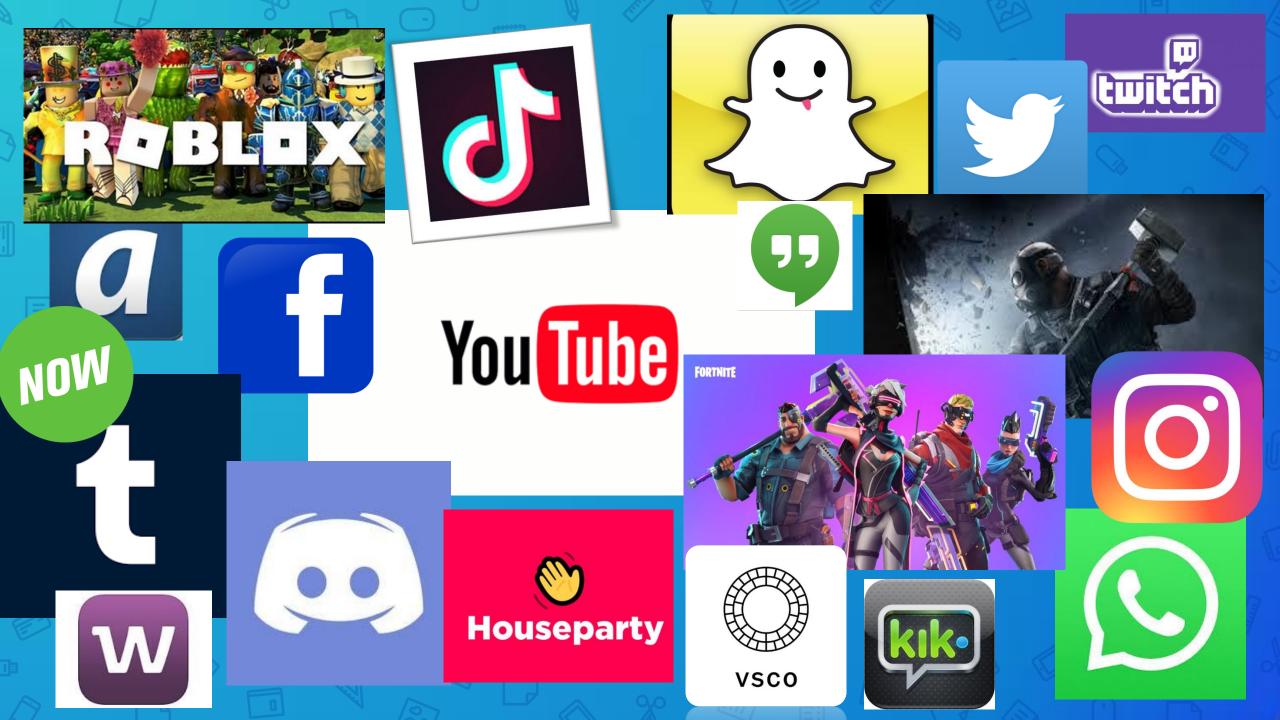
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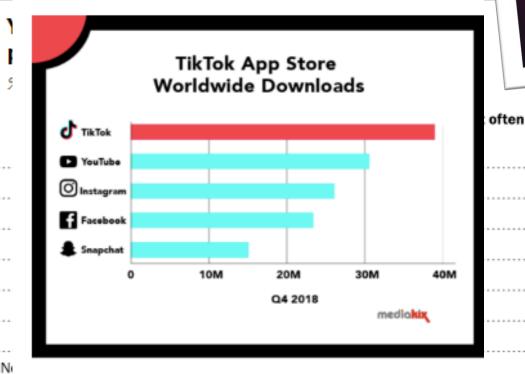
Teens- have access to a smartphone

Teens-say they are online "almost constantly"

Play/have access to video game console







Recently, TikTok has surpassed the likes of Facebook, Instagram, Messenger, and Snapchat

in Q3 2019 App Store and Google Play

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What parents need to know about







CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION & GROOMING

FAKE OR ANONYMOUS PROFILES

SEXUAL PREDATORS

JOINING PUBLIC GROUPS



KIK'BOTS'

VIDEO CHAT





CHOOSING A USERNAME

SHARING USERNAMES

DEACTIVATING ACCOUNTS

FIND GENUINE FRIENDS

SHOW HOW TO BLOCK & REPORT

DON'T TALK TO STRANGERS

COMMUNICATION IS KEY

AVOIDING UNEXPECTED IMAGES

USING A VALID EMAIL

MUTING OR LEAVING A CHAT

1 new message







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What parents need to know about INSTAGRAM

Instagram is an image and video sharing app that

allows users to share moments with the world. The app has a live streaming feature and additional add-ons, such as Boomerang. 'Hyperlapse' and 'Layout,' which can be used to enhance their feed. Users can choose to add filters and make adjustments, such as brightness / contrast to their photos. To make their content more 'searchable,' users can include hashtags in their uploads

to make them easier to find.

LIVE STREAMING TO STRANGERS

The live stream feature on Instagram allows users to connect with their friends and followers in real-time. Followers can comment on the video during the broadcast (which can be turned off in the settings). If your child has a private account, only their approved followers can see their story. It is important to note that they still may have followers that they do not know, which means they could be live streaming to strangers. A public account allows anybody to view their story. We suggest that your child goes through their followers list and blocks anyone they do not know An additional risk with live streams is that your child may do something that they regret. This could be captured by a viewer taking a screenshot and

then shared around the Internet. **IN-APP PAYMENTS**

Instagram allows payments for products directly through the app. It operates under the same rules as Facebook Payments, which state that if you are under the age of 18, you can only use this feature with the involvement of a parent or guardian.

DAMAGE TO CONFIDENCE, BODY **IMAGE & MENTAL HEALTH**

When people use filters on their photos on Instagram, it can set unrealistic expectations and create feelings of inadequacy and low self-esteem in children. Children may strive for a comparable number of 'likes' to a realistically edited with the risk of drastically owering your child's confidence or sense of self-worth.

PHOTO / VIDEO SHARING

Posting photos and videos is Instagram's biggest selling point, but with sharing images comes risks. A photo which includes landmarks in the area, their school uniform, street name, house and even tagging in the location of the photo uploaded to Instagram can expose the child's location, making it easy to locate them. If their account is not set to private, anyone can access their account and see their location

LOCATION TAGGING

Public locations can be added to a user's photos/videos and also to their stories. While this may seem like a good idea at the time, it can expose the location of your child. This is particularly more of a risk if it is on their story, as it is real time.

HIJACKED HASHTAGS

Like Twitter, hashtags are also an extremely prominent tool in Instagram and with that comes dangers for your child. One person may use a seemingly innocent hashtag with one particular thing in mind, and before you know it hundreds of people could be using the same hashtag for something inappropriate or dangerous that your child certainly shouldn't be exposed to.

INSTAGRAM TV

Instagram TV works similarly to YouTube. Users can watch videos from their favourite accounts on the platform, or create their own channel and post their own videos. It's important to note that anyone can create their own Instagram TV channel and you don't have to be friends with a person to follow an account and watch their videos. Ultimately, features are encouraging users to spend more time on the app, therefore it's important to set time limits and ensure their devices are not disturbing their sleep and performance at school.



REMOVE PAYMENT METHODS

RESTRICT MESSAGES

USE A PRIVATE ACCOUNT

FILTER INAPPROPRIATE COMMENTS

TURN OFF SHARING







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Sexting, The Law,
Pressure and Sextortion



FBI warns parents 'sextortion' cases involving children on the rise

Over the last five years, authorities say prosecutions are up 60 percent.

By Luke Barr

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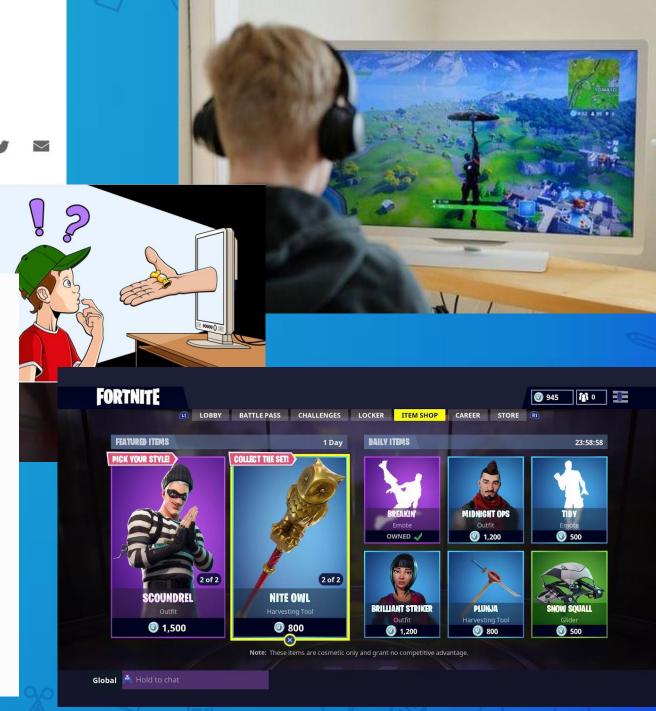
Child Exploitation Complaints Rise 106% To Hit 2 Million In Just One Month: Is COVID-19 To Blame?



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Original Investigation

April 2018

Prevalence of Multiple Forms of Sexting Behavior Among Youth

A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

Sheri Madigan, PhD^{1,2}; Anh Ly, MA¹; Christina L. Rash, BA¹; et al

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JAMA Pediatr. 2018;172(4):327-335. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2017.5314



Key Points

Question What is the prevalence of sexting behavior among youth?

Findings Among 39 studies (with 110 380 participants) in this meta-analysis, the mean prevalences for sending and receiving sexts were 14.8% and 27.4%, respectively, with prevalence rates increasing in recent years and as youth age. The prevalences of forwarding a sext without consent and having a sext forwarded without consent were 12.0% and 8.4%, respectively.

Meaning Sexting is becoming a more common practice among youth; therefore, age-specific information on sexting and its potential consequences should regularly be provided as a component of sex education.

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MA LAW: Sexting and More: Age 18

- Child Pornography
- Creating
- Manufacturing
- Human Trafficking
- Enticing



- Harassment
- Threats
- Annoying Phone Calls
- Stalking

- -There is currently NO Revenge Porn Law
- -Legislation is pending re this and juvenile sexting and cyberbullying
- -Other laws according to age?

Advice to young people

- What do you do if someone sends you a nude?
- Unknown person- DELETE
- Known to you- REPORT



- What do you do if someone asks you for one?
- **OSTOP-** is it worth the risk?
- OBLOCK- if you don't know them or if you do and they keep asking
- TALK- if something happens or is bothering you

How do we talk to children about sexting? DO AVOID

- ✓ Acknowledge it happens
- ✓ Talk through the consequences
 - ✓ What are all the things that could go wrong with a nude?
- ✓ Talk about pressure
 - ✓ Anyone who asks you to do something you are not comfortable with is not a good friend
- ✓ Thank them for opening up to you.
 - ✓ I'm so glad you told me. Let's try and fix it.

X It's illegal, don't do it

- X You'll get arrested
- X Shock
- X Shame
 - How could you do that?!
 - Why didn't you tell me?!
- X Yelling or hitting
- X Taking away device "forever" or until they are 18 (at all?)

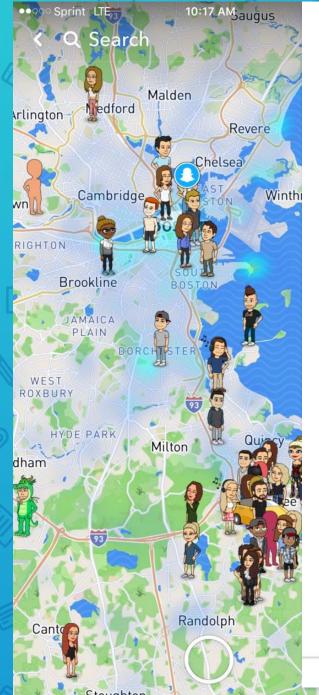
If you feel like saying something mean OR you see someone being mean







If someone asks you for your personal information OR they ask you to send them a picture or video of something private





My Location

Your location updates while you have Snapchat open.

Ghost Mode

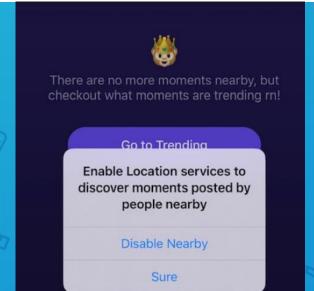
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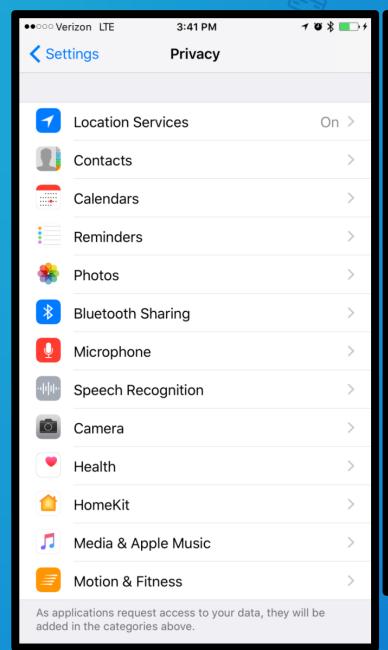
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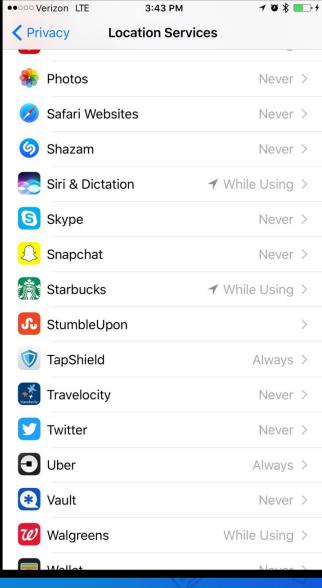
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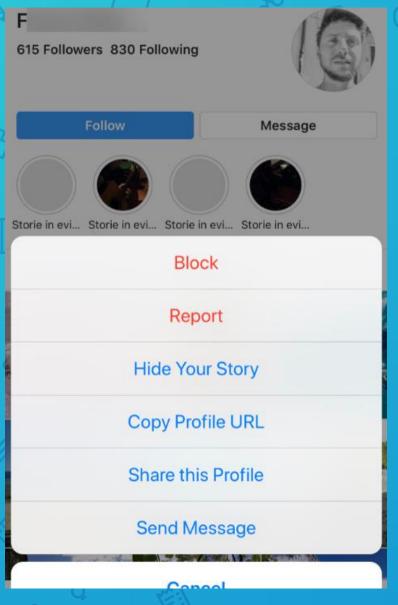
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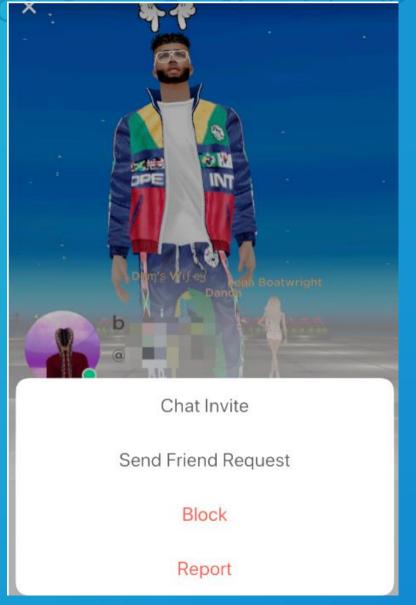
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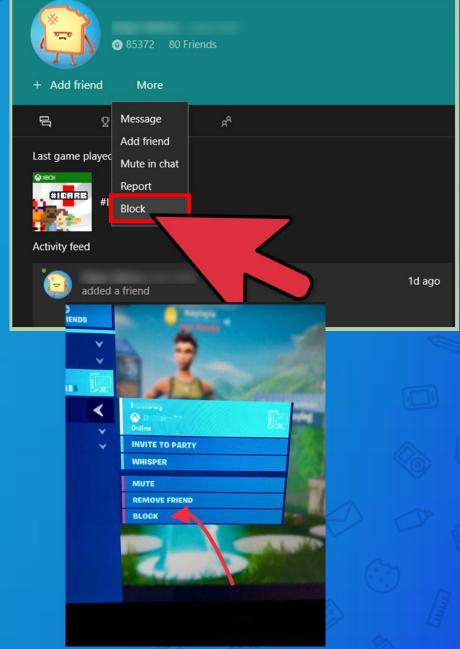












A Safe Space to Talk

Remember:

 They won't tell you if you don't give them a safe space, free of judgement, blame, and anger

 You may be upset by what happened but try to be calm, understanding, and supportive

Things to say

- I'm so glad you told me
- I will help you through this
- No matter what happened, I love you

Things not to say

- How could you do that?
- Why did you do that?
- Why didn't you tell me sooner?

How do we talk about this with students?



Conversation Starters: Can you show me...



- Which do you like/check the most?
- Which one makes you feel the best?
- Which one sometimes makes you feel bad? Why?

...something funny you've seen on TikTok?

- ...some of your friends' profiles on Instagram?
- Let's see what pictures they have up & how much we can learn about them.
- Let's read some of the comments and see if any are a good or bad idea.
- ...your favorite video on YouTube?
- ...how to use Snapchat?
- ...some of the filters you use?



Diving Deeper

- Has anyone ever posted a picture of you that made you feel embarrassed?
 - What did you do?
- Have you ever gotten a text from someone you didn't know?
 - What did they say?
- Do people sometimes ask you personal info like how old you are, what you like, etc.?
 - What do you tell them?
- Has anyone ever asked you a question that was kind of rude? What about a question that was kind of sexual?
 - What did you do?

- Has anyone ever asked you for a pic? And meant a nude?
 - What did you do?
- Has anyone ever sent you a nude? I know that happens and you can tell me.
 - How about any of your friends? Have they?
- Has anyone ever tried to meet up with you or said they would pick you up from somewhere?
 - What did you do?

Is there anything you're worried about telling me? It's ok, you can.

Is there anyone else you could talk to about something that's bothering you?

If something is too hard to talk about, you can always write it down.

You can always talk to me about these things and you will not be in trouble for something if you need help.

Whether you game, snap or scroll, we want you to have fun and be safe on all your devices!







stop·block·talk



If someone asks you for something personal like where you live – **STOP**. If someone asks you for a picture or tells you to take a video of yourself and send it to them - STOP. If someone is being rude, says something mean to you or calls you names - STOP. Don't reply and don't call them names back. And if you feel like being mean to someone yourself - STOP.



If you are playing a game or chatting with someone and they keep asking you the same questions that you don't want to answer -**BLOCK**. If you are talking or playing a game with someone and they are making you mad, sad or uncomfortable - BLOCK. If someone is threatening you or tells you they will do something to embarrass or hurt you – BLOCK. You don't ever need to feel bad about blocking someone who does these things.



And if whatever happened bothers you or makes you feel worried -**TALK** to someone you trust. If you don't know what to do – **TALK** to a friend or trusted adult. And if you are worried about a friend who is doing something unsafe - TALK to someone you trust about it.























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NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE: 1-800-656-4673

Get help and referrals from advocates.

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Free confidential support for people in distress and prevention and crisis resources.

TREVOR LIFELINE:

1-866-488-7386 | Text START TO 678678 A crisis and intervention and suicide prevention line for LGBTQ youth.

To Report Online Abuse or Exploitation CybertipLine: 1-800-843-5678 www.cybertipline.com

You can also click: "Get Help" / "Is your explicit image out there?" for help with getting pictures removed from specific sites.







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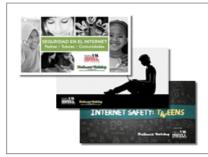
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Presentations



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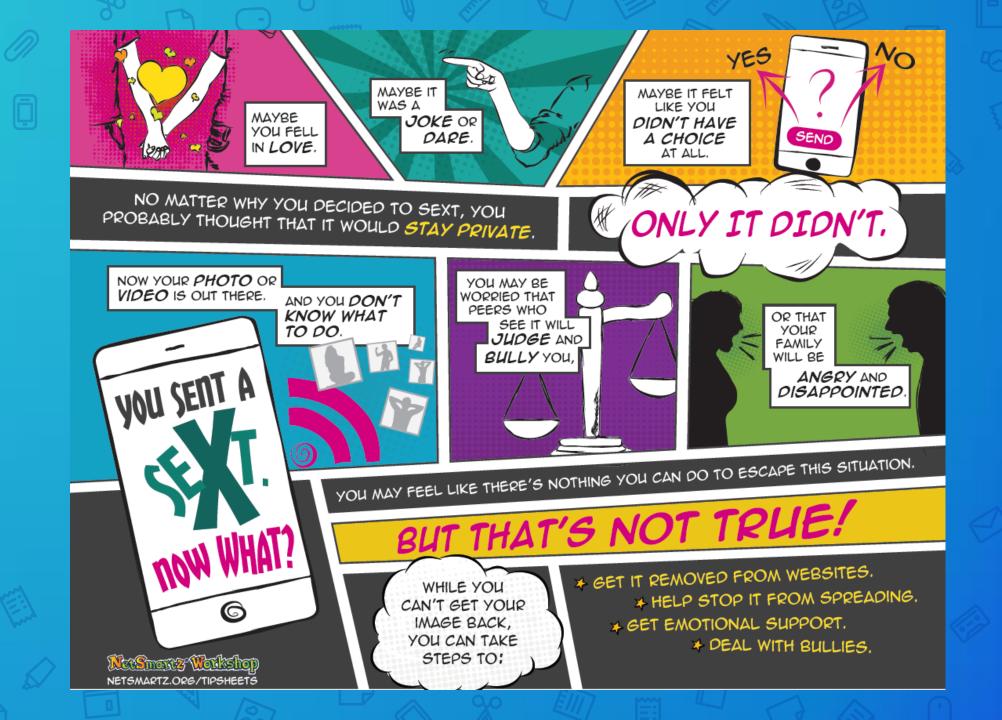
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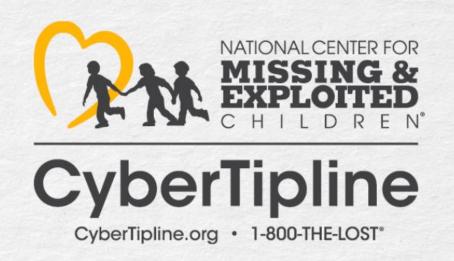






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SMARTPHONE

BUT THERE ARE SOME RULES THAT GO ALONG WITH IT ...

TEXTING AND CALLING:

You are allowed to text and make calls, but there are some situations where you're not allowed to text like:

WEB BROWSING:

This phone has an Internet connection and location services. You are allowed to: _____

DATA USAGE:

Our phone plan comes with ____ GB of data a month. You are allowed to use ____ GB of data each month and I would appreciate if you monitored your usage periodically.

APPS:

You are approved to download ____ apps a month and I would appreciate if you checked in with me before purchasing or downloading them.

PHONE-FREE TIME:

I always want to be able to reach you but there are some occasions where I would like you to put your phone away like: _____

IF YOU AGREE TO FOLLOW THESE RULES, I PROMISE TO...

NOT OVERREACT:

If you come across something that makes you feel uncomfortable, I want to know about it so I can help you. And I promise, if that situation ever comes up, I will not overreact.

LEARN NEW THINGS:

I want to know about the cool things you do on your smartphone so we can talk about them. I promise to try and learn new and different things about technology so we can try them out together.

BE RESPONSIBLE:

It is important that I set a good example when using my phone too. So, I promise to never text and drive, to learn more about my phone's features, and to take phone-free time with you.

Child sign here:	
Parent sign here:	







Resources for Schools

Step into the NOS Online Safety world, where we bring the world of online safety to and empower parents, carers and children with the knowledge they need to stay sonline.

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KS3 & KS4 Lesson Plans

Classroom Pack

Platform Guides

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On instagram I stay safe by if I don't want my lowation shared I press the NO LOCATION" Button. A question I have Is what if some one threatens you if you don't do some thing like they might say if you don't give me aphoto I will hart your parents.

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if some body afters you for example U-bucks but a picture, can you ask for the U-bucks first to see if they will really ooit or they are just scaming

what if you are seriously threatened or the person who is threatening you is someone you know or love?

love!

Is cat fishing against the law?

If you shoot a person os self defense. Is that against the law

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To improve, you could also talk about eating disorders, since alot of victims look at instagram pictures and start to feel ashamed of themselves. It is also a big problem at the moment and should be addressed.

The someone video chatted you and you saw their face, but they didn't see yours. Then you saw their face, you saw it was a kid Would you be safe with that kid?

Here, if you know them not in real life for a long time, like 1-4 year, could you trust them?

Crou also saw their face too?

know where I'm from



Thanks!

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