Internet Safety and Cyber Bullying

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CVC provides the following Direct Services to victims of crime/violence and their significant others living or victimized in Chester County:

- Two 24-hour hotlines
  - Sexual Assault: 610-692-7273 and Other Crimes: 610-692-7420
- Immediate Crisis Response
- Accompaniment and Advocacy
- Supportive Counseling (Individual and Group)
- Assistance in seeking restitution, preparing victim impact statements and filing Crime Victims Compensation Claims
- Notification of Victims' Rights including enrollment in programs that inform victims of the impending release of offenders from incarceration or detention
- Referrals to other community agencies
- Prevention/Education
- All services are **FREE** and **CONFIDENTIAL**

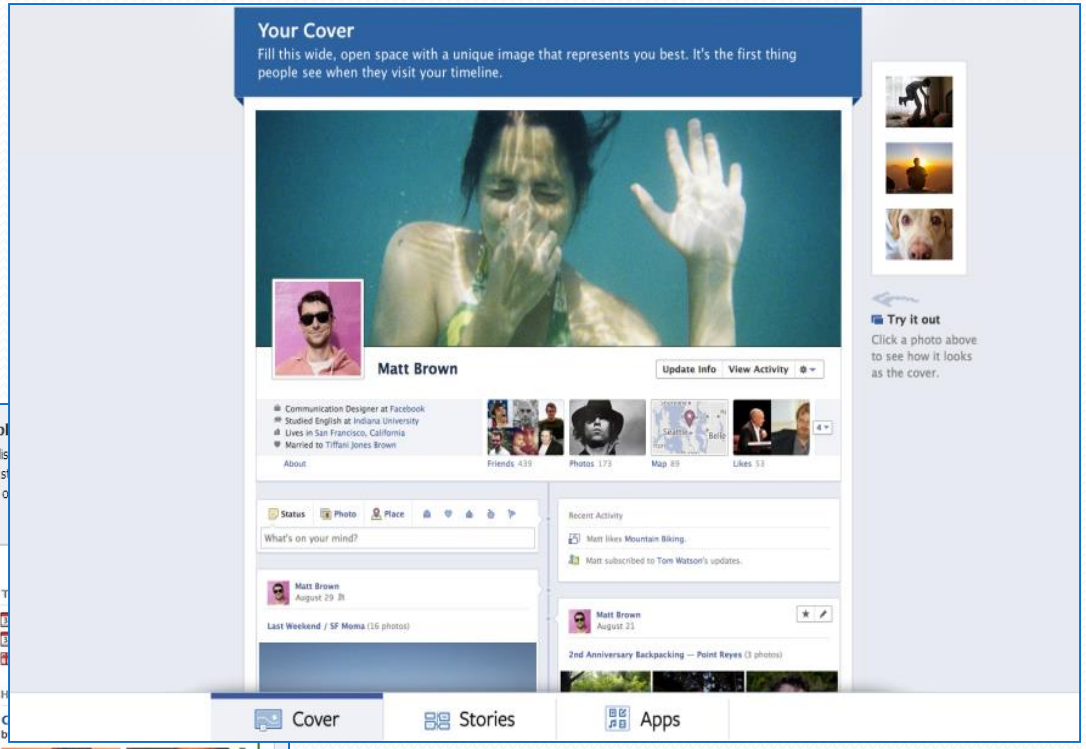
What are kids doing online?

Social Networking Sites

- 96% of teens use social networking applications such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, and blogs
- Profiles are sometimes public by default

Statistic provided by the FBI website, the Highlights of the Youth Internet Safety Survey, eMarketer, and the 2005 Pew Report on Internet Safety; and by GuardChild.com

facebook


Your Cover
Fill this wide, open space with a unique image that represents you best. It's the first thing people see when they visit your timeline.
Try it out
Click a photo above to see how it looks as the cover.
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Update Info
View Activity
Cover
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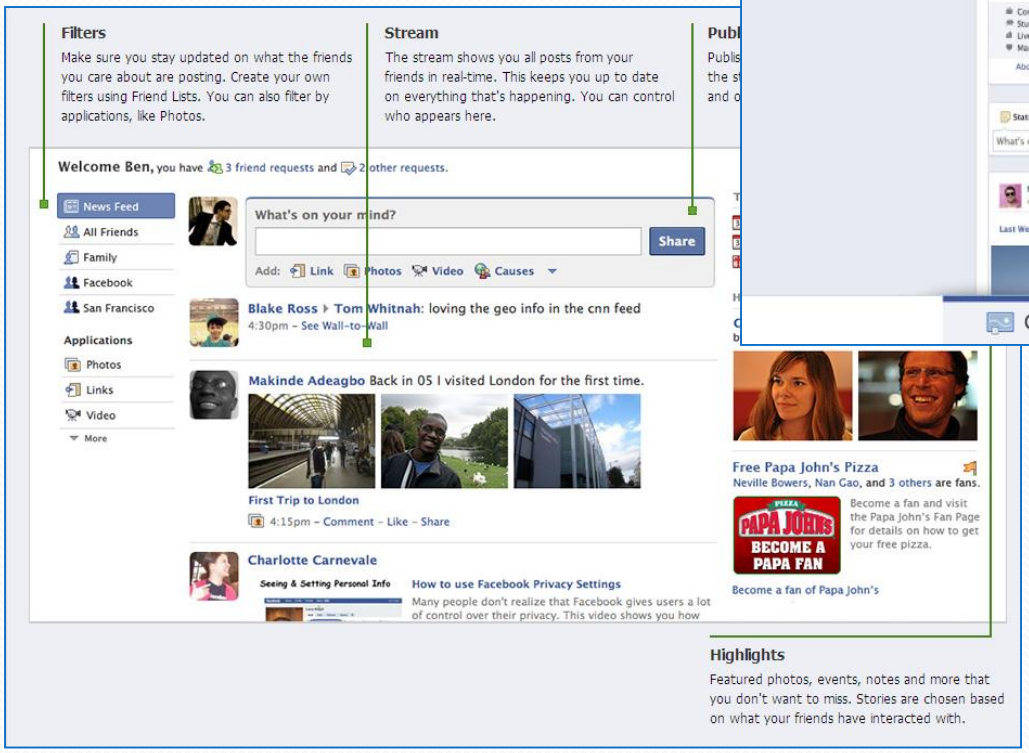
Filters
Make sure you stay updated on what the friends you care about are posting. Create your own filters using Friend Lists. You can also filter by applications, like Photos.
Stream
The stream shows you all posts from your friends in real-time. This keeps you up to date on everything that's happening. You can control who appears here.
Welcome Ben, you have 3 friend requests and 2 other requests.
News Feed
All Friends
Family
Facebook
San Francisco
Applications
Photos
Links
Video
More
What's on your mind?
Share
Add: Link Photos Video Causes
Blake Ross ▸ Tom Whitnah: loving the geo info in the cnn feed
4:30pm – See Wall-to-Wall
Makinde Adeagbo Back in 05 I visited London for the first time.
First Trip to London
4:15pm – Comment – Like – Share
Charlotte Carnevale
Seeing & Setting Personal Info
How to use Facebook Privacy Settings
Many people don't realize that Facebook gives users a lot of control over their privacy. This video shows you how
Free Papa John's Pizza
Neville Bowers, Nan Gao, and 3 others are fans.
BECOME A PAPA FAN
Become a fan and visit the Papa John's Fan Page for details on how to get your free pizza.
Become a fan of Papa John's
Highlights
Featured photos, events, notes and more that you don't want to miss. Stories are chosen based on what your friends have interacted with.

- Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors: 750,000,000
- Min. age requirement: 13
- Many privacy options, but also many options for children to share personal information
- Always public info.: Name, profile pictures, cover photos, networks, gender, username & user ID

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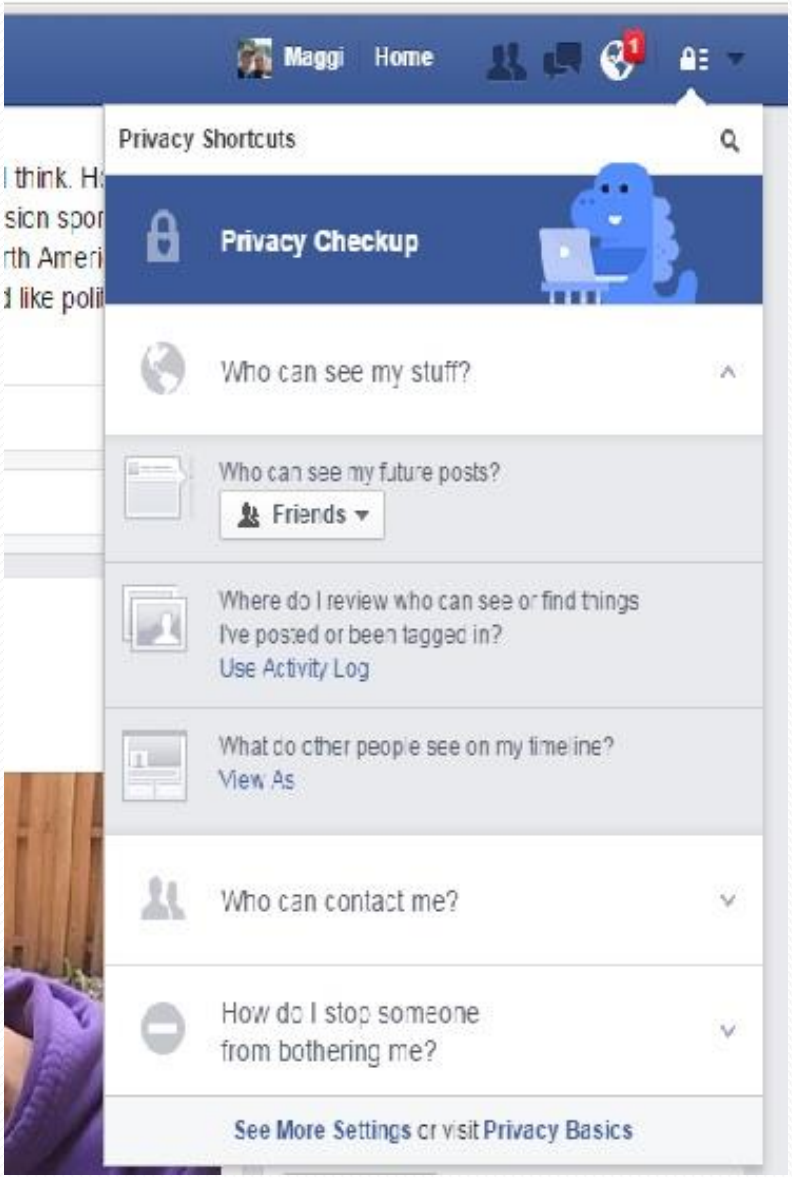
Check your Settings!



twitter

- Social messaging site
- Allows users to post ("tweet") quick status updates of less than 140 characters
- Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors: 250,000,000
- No minimum age requirement
- Always public information: Name, Username

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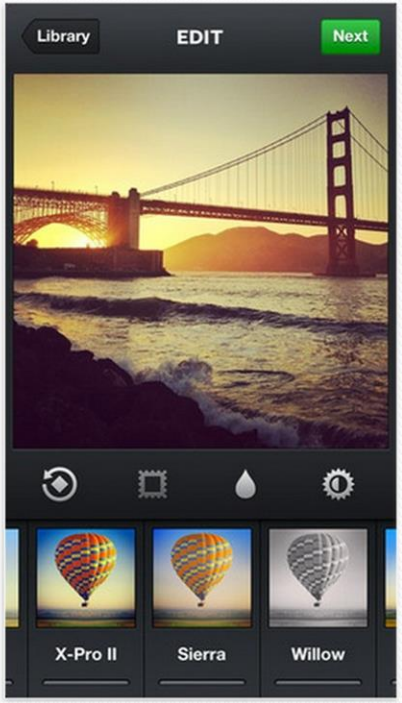
Instagram

- Online photo-sharing service
- Very popular among the youth
- Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors: 100,000,000
- Min. age requirement: 13



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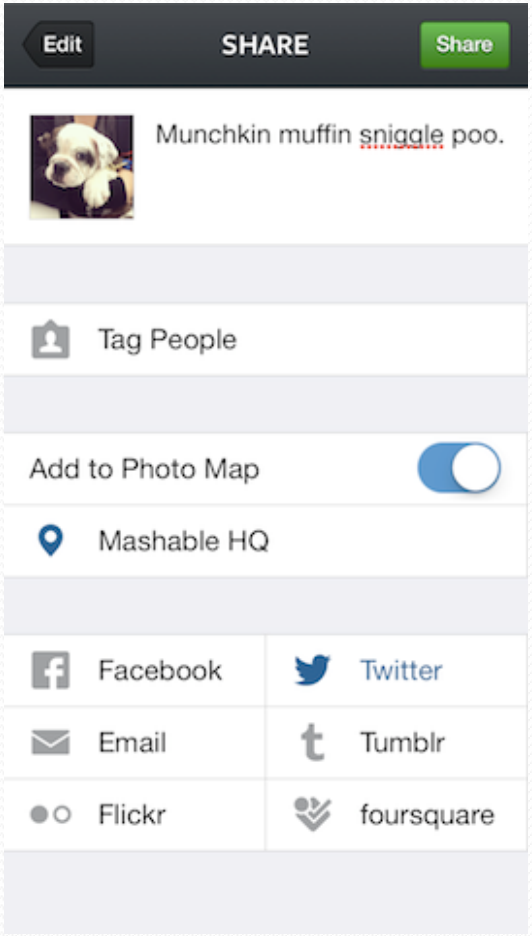
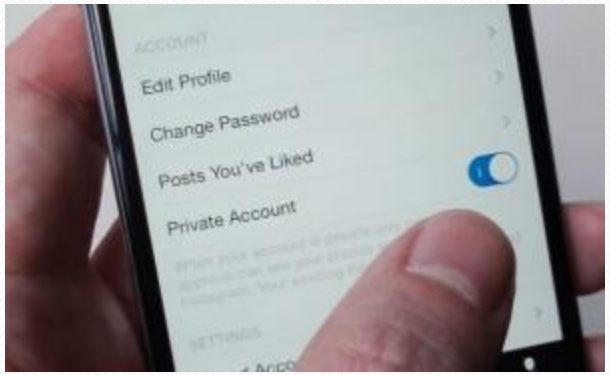
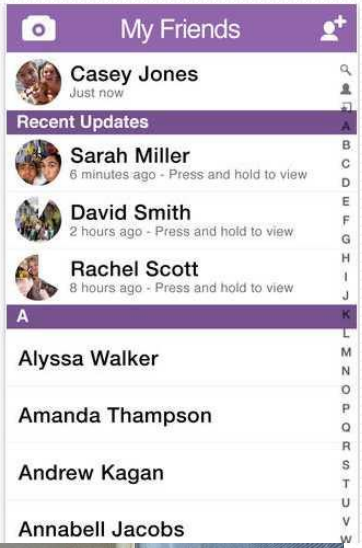
Instagram Privacy



- Enable private mode:
  - Tap the profile button (looks like a silhouette), tap the settings icon, and enable private account
- You can't un-friend users you've accepted, but you CAN block them from viewing your pictures



Snap Chat



- Snapchat allows users to send pictures, video, text and drawings to other users
- You must accept friend requests to see other people's snaps
- Anything sent disappears after a few seconds (unless someone takes a screen shot)
- Majority of kids are using snapchat to send silly pictures and video
- Sexting also applies to snapchat

Cell Phones

- Kids and teens are in constant contact through:
  - Texting
  - Sharing photos/videos with a camera phone
  - Playing games
  - Accessing social media sites
- Sexting: The sending of sexually explicit photos, images, text messages, or e-mails by using a cell phone or other mobile device
- 21% of teen girls and 18% of teen boys have sent/posted nude or semi-nude images of themselves

Information provided by Dictionary.com and TheNationalCampaign.org

Think Before You Click…

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- Use the same rules you know about stranger danger!
- Don't share personal information online:
  - Full name, address, phone number, PASSWORDS, parent's info, e-mail, photo's
- Don't accept friend requests or e-mails from people you don't know
- Beware of people online who:
  - Ask for personal information, say something that makes you upset or uncomfortable, cyber bullies
- If you get an uncomfortable message:
  - Tell, block, report

- Users can create and upload videos about anything for anyone to see
  - Easy to create: Can be done with a cell phone camera or hand-held cameras
- Website registration is simple
- Users should be over 13, but there is no verification
- Some of the material can be graphic (violence, sexually explicit, exploitative)

Online Gaming

- Many games feature interactive chat, where you can send messages to other players in real time
- Games allow users to speak to each other through headsets and webcams
- Voice masking is available
- Cursing, yelling, threatening occurs

- Some games require users to put in their address, phone number, birth date, or credit card information to play

Other Apps

- Kik
- Sykpe
- Oovoo
- Musicly
- Pokemon GO

Cyber Bullying

- 65% of 8-14 year olds have been involved in a cyber-bullying incident
- Involves the use of information and communication technologies to support *deliberate*, *repeated*, and *hostile* behavior by an individual or group, that is intended to hurt others
- Often connected to offline, traditional bullying

Statistic provided by GuardChild.com

Cyber Bullying

- Examples of cyber bullying:
  - Harassing messages
  - Gossip
  - Stalking
  - Damaging pictures
  - Impersonation
  - Crowd Bullying

- Why do kids bully online?
  - Don't have to face the victim directly
  - Anonymity
  - Lack of supervision
  - Retaliation

Online Predators

- Build a trusting relationship with a child over time
- Know how to use the applications your children use
- Can be anyone- male, female, any age, any profession
- Law enforcement officials estimate that more than 50,000 sexual predators are online at any given moment

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What Can We Do?

If Your Child is Victim of Cyber Bullying

- Reassure them that it's not their fault
- Let them know you're there to help
- Help them find ways to be assertive
- Inform them that ignoring the bully is sometimes the best and easiest response
- Encourage them to report harassment
- If the harassment continues despite your efforts, have the child delete their account and create a new one, only sharing their information with a select few people

Keeping Kids Safer Online

- Increase supervision
  - Keep the computer in a common area of your home
  - Consider monitoring software
  - Consider setting parental controls
- Set rules for computer use
- Have your child set any profiles to private
- Depending on age, know your child's passwords
- Keep all contact information and personal data to yourself- this is important for children AND adults

Keeping Kids Safer Online

- Save inappropriate conversations and harassing messages
- Do NOT reply to inappropriate or harassing messages
- Leave the online area where the harassment is happening (chat room, IM, game, etc.)
- Inform the police if physical threats are made

Keeping Kids Safer Online

- Remind children to think about the real-life consequences of their actions online
- Encourage kids to ask for help when a bullying or safety problem arises, both online and in real life
- Create an open relationship for your children to share their concerns
- Teach children to trust their instincts if they feel uncomfortable or unsafe

Parental Controls

- Google Safety Center
  - Will walk you through the steps to control what your family sees on the web, including search results, android games, youtube, and Google play
- Youtube restricted mode
  - Can be found at the bottom of their webpage
- Restrictions on iPhone, iPad, and iPod Touch devices
  - Listed under General settings-> Restrictions
- Android Phones
  - Can create a secondary user profile with restrictions for children

Helpful Tips:

- Google your child's name to see how much information is being shared online. It's helpful to do this activity with your child. Google some friends in order to compare and contrast
- If your child breaks your computer rules, discipline offline
  - Don't allow your child to attend this weekend's party. Banning a child from a website may cause a child to create a private account and hide online activity to avoid future punishment

Resources

www.WiredSafety.org

www.CyberTipLine.com

www.NetSmartz.org

www.GuardChild.com

www.NetLingo.com

www.CyberBully.org

www.StopCyberBullying.org

www.CyberBullying.us

ChildLine: 1-800-932-0313

If you have any further questions, please contact:

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Thank you for your time!