



Sexting 101: Think before you click!

Technology Facilitated Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness

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Welcome & Overview of the Situation



Victimization & Compromised Futures



- ❑ “Send” and lose control of your image forever
- ❑ Social, academic and safety consequences
- ❑ What happens to your images
- ❑ Legal Consequences

SEXTERS ARE
FOUR TIMES AS
LIKELY TO HAVE
CONSIDERED
SUICIDE IN THE
PAST YEAR THAN
NON-SEXTERS.



DEFINITION....

SEXTING

verb, sexually
suggestive text
messaging via
mobile devices.

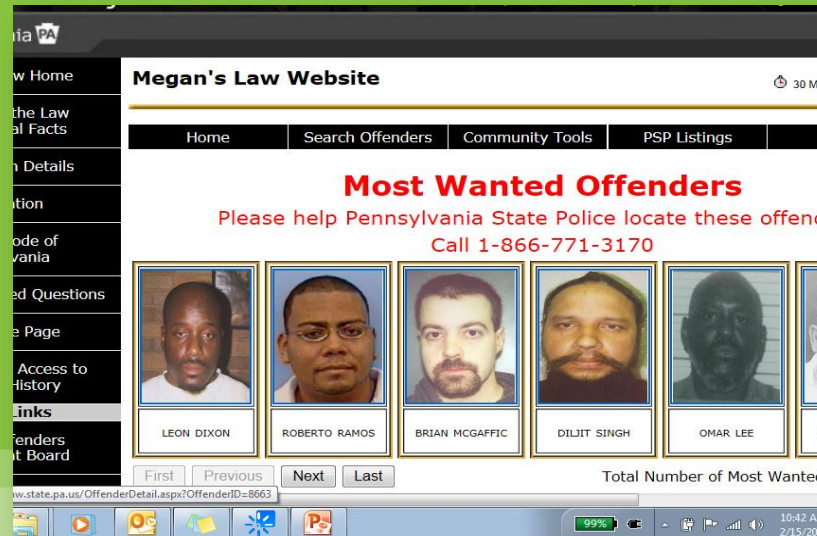


Escalation

- ⚙ Specific examples or cases
- ⚙ Megan's Law offender and registration
- ⚙ Defense Costs



NEARLY
1 IN 5 SEXT
RECIPIENTS HAVE
PASSED THE SEXT
ALONG TO
SOMEONE ELSE.



3 IN 10
YOUNG PEOPLE
HAVE BEEN
INVOLVED IN
SEXTING.

Close to home...

- 44 Percent of both teen girls and teen boys say they sent sexually suggestive messages or images in response to such content they received.
- The most popular reasons given for forwarding sexts include the assumption that others would want to see them (52%), a desire to show off (35%), and boredom (26%).
- 51 Percent of teen girls say pressure from a guy is a reason girls send sexy messages or images; only 18 % of teen boys cited pressure from female counterparts as a reason.
- The percent of teenagers sending or posting sexually suggestive messages:

39% of all teenagers

37% of teen girls

40% of teen boys



Prevention

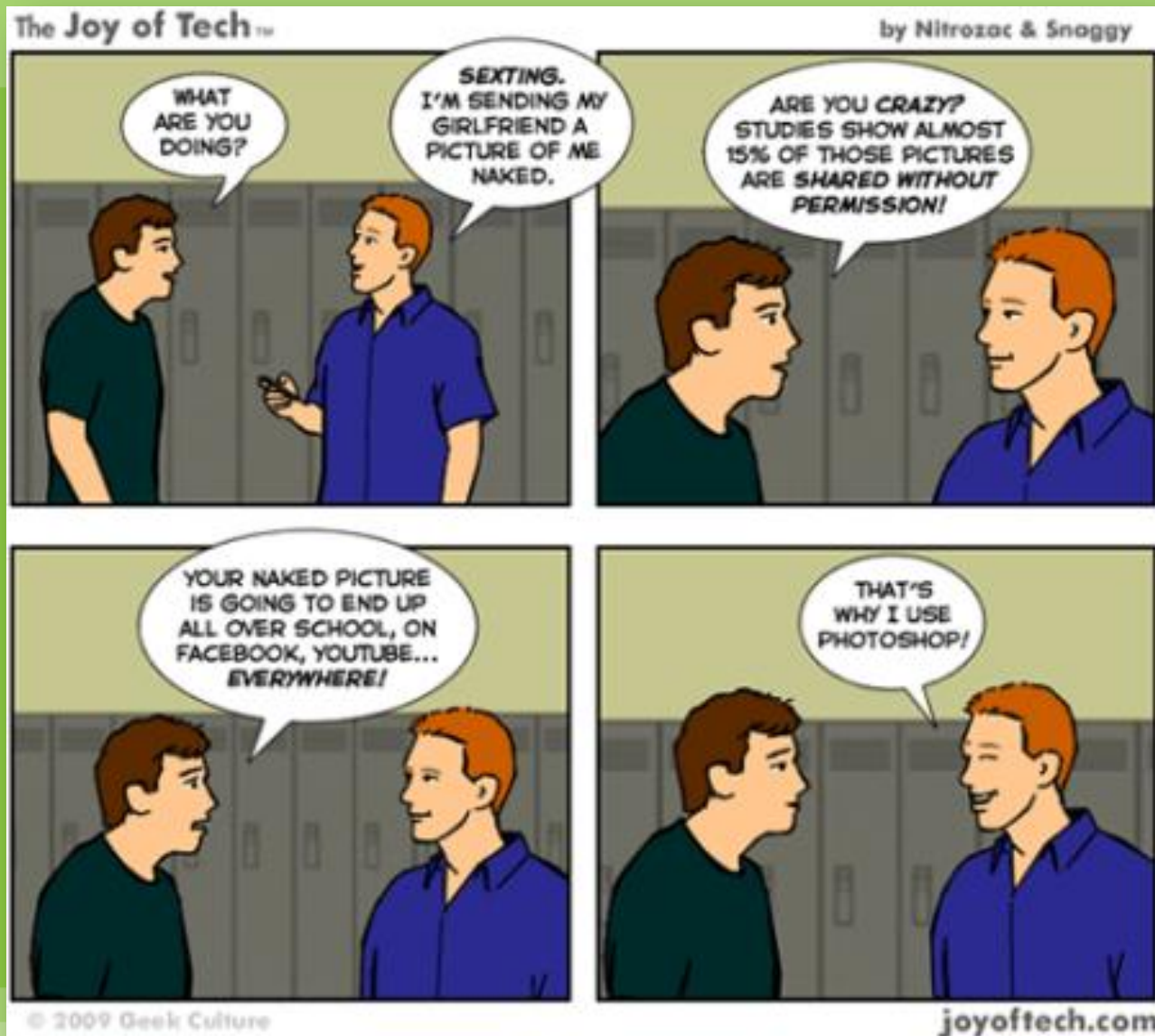
- ⚙ Report pictures to police
- ⚙ Check your child's number
- ⚙ Check with your wireless provider
- ⚙ Parenting in the 21st Century



MORE THAN
50% OF
THOSE WHO
SHARED A SEXT
SHARED IT WITH
MULTIPLE
PEOPLE.



Q & A Panel



Resources



- ⚙ <http://www.athinline.org/>
- ⚙ <http://www.lg.com/us/mobile-phones/text-education/articles/the-download-on-sexting.jsp>
- ⚙ <http://www.safetyweb.com/prevent-teens-sexting>
- ⚙ <http://www.ncpc.org/resources/files/pdf/internet-safety/NCPC-FactSheet2.pdf>
- ⚙ <http://www.bandbacktogether.com/teens-sexting-resources/>