



# TEACHING DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

## OUR SCHOOL'S COMMITMENT



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FULTON COUNTY SCHOOLS HAS ONCE AGAIN PARTNERED WITH COMMON SENSE MEDIA TO PROVIDE DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP LESSONS AND RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND PARENTS.

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## Why teach digital citizenship?

- 1 Kids spend an average of 53 hours a week using media and technology. That's over 7 hours a day, and it doesn't include time spent texting or doing schoolwork.
- 2 Technology offers kids great opportunities for self-exploration, creativity, connection and learning, yet kids may also experience challenges like:
  - Oversharing and damage to reputation
  - Cyberbullying
  - Not understanding how to analyze and evaluate the credibility of information
- 3 To harness technology for learning, kids need to understand how to think critically, behave safely, and participate responsibly online.

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## What we're doing

- Using resources from Common Sense Education to teach students digital literacy and citizenship skills and engage parents
- Common Sense is a national, non-profit organization that provides free resources to educators and advice to parents so that kids can harness the power of technology for learning and life



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## Digital Citizenship Lessons For Students

### Elementary

- Media Balance (K-2)
- Digital Footprints (K-2)
- Internet Safety (K-2)
- Private vs. Personal Information(3-5)
- Cyberbullying – The Power Of Words(3-5)
- What Is Clickbait? (3-5)

### Middle School

- Digital Footprint and Identity
- Cyberbullying, Digital Drama and Hate Speech
- Relationships and Communication

### High School

- What's Your Digital Footprint?
- Cyberbullying
- Oversharing and Risky Behaviors



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## Digital Citizenship Lessons For Teachers



- **Educators and Social Media: Avoiding the Pitfalls**
- **Protecting Students' Privacy Online**

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We know that with all the advantages the Internet can bring to your family's life, there can also be pitfalls.

To help you talk with your children about Internet Safety and how to be a good Digital Citizen, the following links to Common Sense Media's Parent Resources will be available on our school's Media Center webpage.



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## Parent Resources For Digital Citizenship

### [Cyberbullying Resources for Parents and Families](#)

Once kids go online, their chances of finding cyberbullies, haters, and trolls is, sadly, quite high. Find age-specific guidelines, videos, and articles to help with tough conversations -- whether your kid is a bully or is being bullied. Common Sense Media answers all your cyberbullying questions, offering age-appropriate advice, school resources, and more from parents and experts.

### [Online Safety Resources for Parents and Families](#)

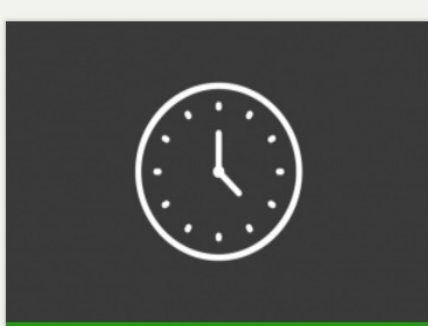
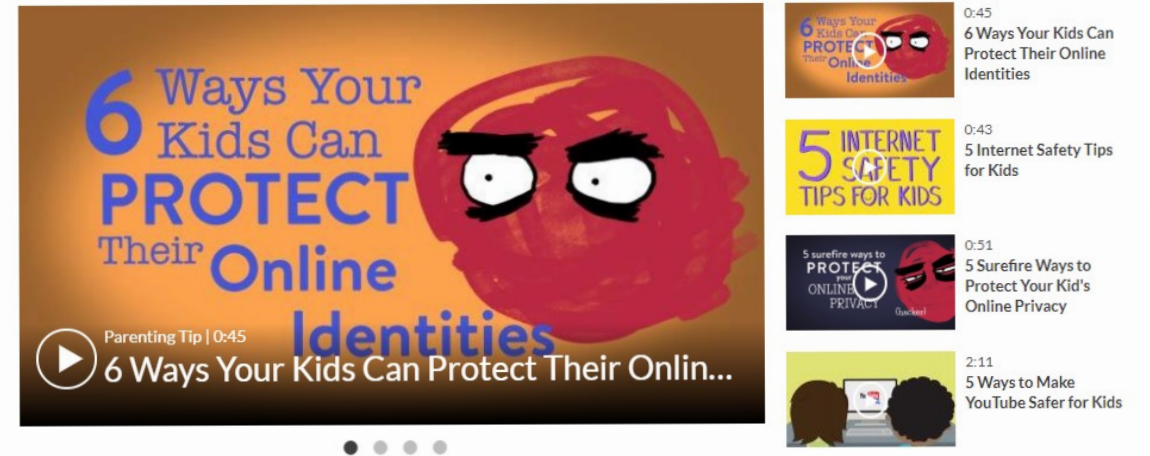
To help kids maximize the Internet's benefits -- while minimizing the risks -- Common Sense Media offers the latest research, tips, and tools on what really keeps kids safe. Which privacy settings should you use? What are the ins and outs of parental controls? Get tips on everything from the basics, such as smart usernames, to the big stuff, such as appropriate sharing.

### [Resources about Social Media Devices for Parents and Families](#)

Getting a cellphone has become a milestone for most kids. Common Sense helps parents lay the groundwork for responsible cellphone use and manage the challenges and opportunities they bring. Learn how to decide the right age to get your kid a cellphone, set rules, choose the right phone and service plan, and stay on top of what your kid is doing on his or her phone.

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## Examples of some of the Common Sense Media Parent Resources



### Family Activity: Cyberbullying

Get families talking about how to block and report people on an app or a website that allows chat.

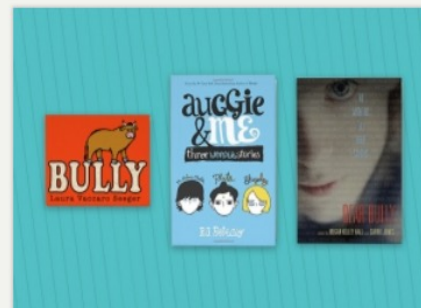
Take-home activity | 8 mins.



### Family Tips: Relationships & Communication

Simple tips for parents on helping kids in grades K-5 have positive online interactions.

Printable page | 1-min. read



### Books That Teach Empathy

Celebrate friendship, difference, and the importance of caring for one another.

Top Picks list



### Family Media Agreement

Help families set some expectations and ground rules around device use.

PDF | 1-min. read



### Common Sense Latino

Articles, videos, app recommendations, and more for Spanish-speaking families.

Resources in Spanish

**Spectrum**



**xfinity**

**AT&T internet**

**dish**

Instructions for adding Parental Controls for TV and Internet Providers