

CYBER SAFETY:

Keeping Kids Safe Online

FOR PARENTS



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What are we going to be discussing?

- Internet Crimes Against Children
- Predators on Social Networks
- Cyber-Bullying
- Strategies to Protect Our Children
- Parenting Strategies
- Sex related cyber activity
 - -sexting, sextortion
- Preserving evidence for the police

Privacy Rights for Children



How much privacy should your children have on their devices?

Children under the age of 18 do not have the right to privacy

As a parent YOU are responsible

Be a parent, NOT a friend

Parents Responsibility

- Kids don't own anything, no matter who bought it
- Know the password for all their devices, if the password changes, have a plan in place to address this as a family (i.e. may include loss of device)
- Keep yourself educated about apps your kids use
- Create healthy boundaries
- Advocate for your child

What Is Your Child's Profile Age?

Social Networks (SnapChat, Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, TikTok) require someone to verify their age, 13 is the minimum

Most kids will say they were born in 2000

If kids lie about their age, they will attract adults

Using the correct age will block adults from communicating with them

Be aware, predators can still lie about THEIR age



Verify Who Your Child Is Talking To!

Make sure your
child knows who
they are talking to

Make sure your
child isn't sharing
personal
information





The Golden Ticket

Have you talked to your child about their technology use?

What did it sound like?

You should have open communication with your child about technology and social media

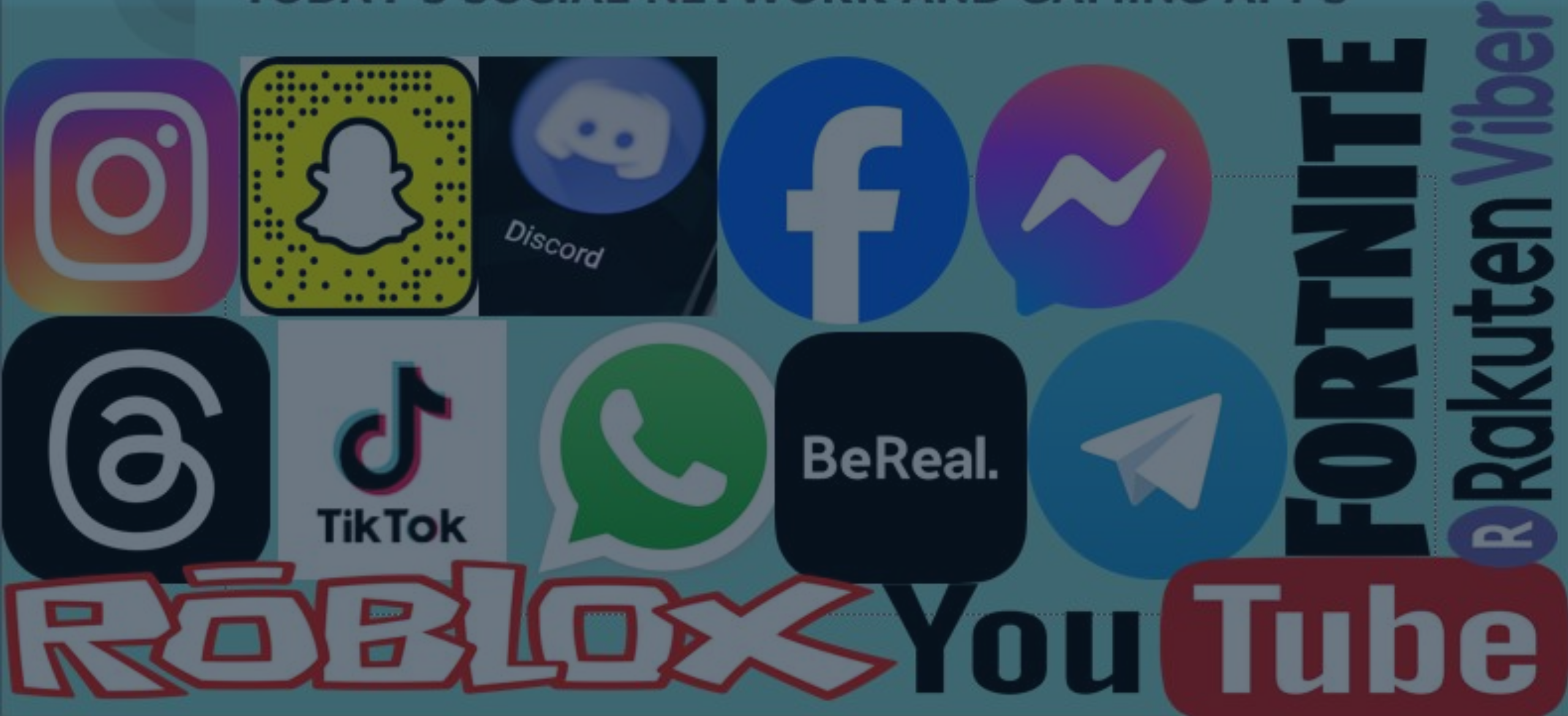
What is Sexting?

- Sexting is the act of sending sexual text messages and can include sending nude, seminude, or suggestive photos
- Messages can include photos or videos
- Sexting can happen via messages on cell phones or other messaging services, including social media

What is Sextortion?

- Sextortion is a form of blackmail in which the attacker threatens to send sexual images or videos of you to others if you do not pay them or give them additional sexual content.
- A sextortion predator uses the fear of embarrassment against their victims. Attackers may also threaten to send the images to the victim's parents, school officials, or even their employers unless the target either pays them or sends more content.

How Does Sextortion Happen?



Common Social Networks/Gaming Apps

The New Age of Oculus



- Virtual gaming platform
- Allow for in-game chatting and friend requests
- Multiple parental controls and privacy settings available
- Oculus VR Meta Quest 2 – ‘Do Just About Anything with Anyone from Anywhere’ Ad 2024

“Fort Pierce man arrested in first-known kidnapping case involving Oculus technology”



Predators Can Play With Your Kids



Also Watch For Video
Game Interactions

Minecraft

Roblox

Fortnite

VS



Should I let my child charge their devices in their room at night?

Technology is addictive

Predators are out at night
children are not being
supervised

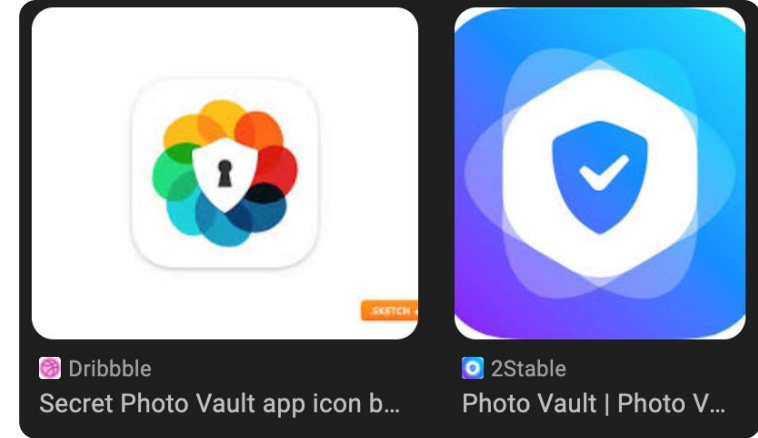
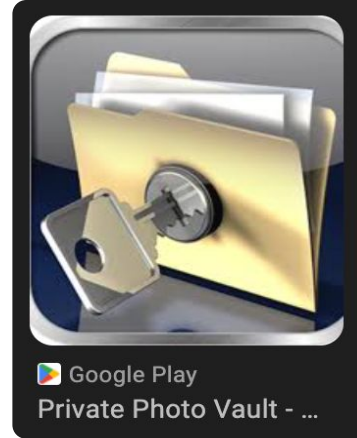
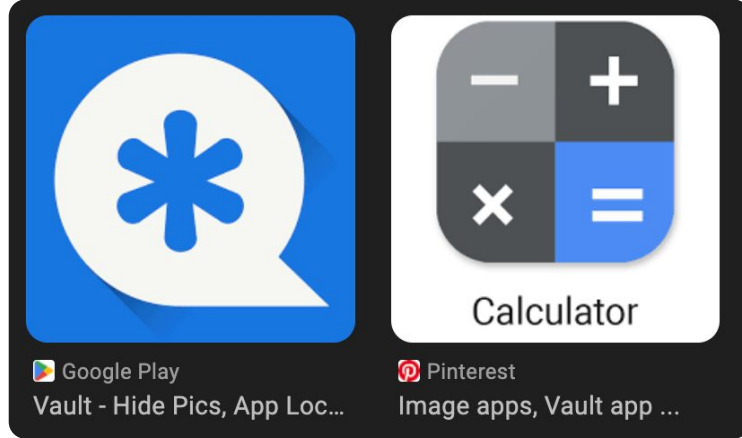
Phone in the bedroom leads to
less productive school day



Photo Vault Apps

A photo vault is a privacy app for your mobile device to protect photos, videos, and documents

Putting your private pictures into a photo vault add them an encrypted password-protected locker that keep them safe and secure from prying eyes



What are calculator vault apps?

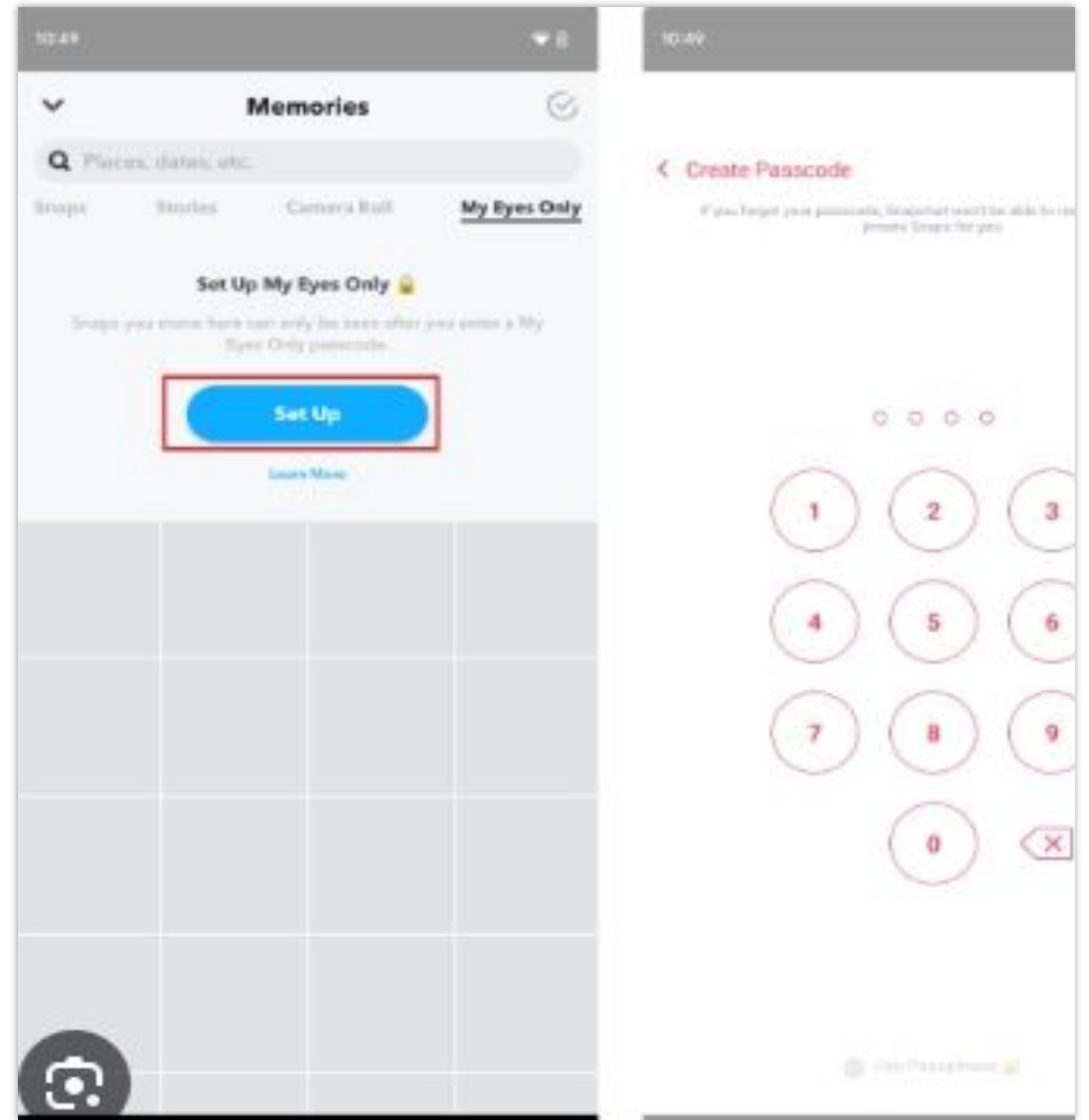
Calculator vault apps are secret apps that can be installed on a smartphone or tablet, which are **designed to look just like a regular calculator application** on the surface. Most calculator vault apps can be used as a calculator would be, providing normal mathematical functions such as subtraction and multiplication.

There are many different versions of calculator vault apps now available for download, but they all have one thing in common: their goal is to act as a front for private images and files. **Users can upload secret pictures and videos to calculator vault apps**, hidden behind a password. In order to access these private files, the user enters a password into the calculator, which they will have established at setup. This allows them to access the private files inside and upload new files that the user wishes to keep a secret.



SnapChat allows kids to hide their pictures & videos in a built in vault

Locations
Disappearing text, photos, videos



Harassment Through Electronic Communication

A person commits harassment through electronic communications when he or she uses electronic communication for any of the following purposes:

- Making any comment, request, suggestion or proposal which is obscene with an intent to offend;
- Transmitting an electronic communication or knowingly inducing a person to transmit an electronic communication for the purpose of harassing another person who is under 13 years of age, regardless of whether the person under 13 years of age consents to the harassment, if the defendant is at least 16 years of age at the time of the commission of the offense;
- Threatening injury to the person or to the property of the person to whom an electronic communication is directed or to any of his or her family or household members;
- Knowingly permitting any electronic communications device to be used for any of the purposes mentioned in this subsection

Cyber-Bullying

Cyber-bullying occurs when a child or teen is embarrassed, humiliated, harassed, tormented or otherwise targeted by another person in person and using the internet or other form of digital communication.



Creating a Plan

- Discuss having a code word with your kids if they are in an uncomfortable situation
- It can be a simple word or emoji
- Once you receive the code word, you as the parent can make up a story to get your child out of the situation
- This will help your child “keep face” in front of their friends by putting the blame on you as a parent



CODE
WORDS
giving kids an easy
(and safe) way out

Video Chat and Pics – Two “P” Test

Before sending a photo or video, say to yourself

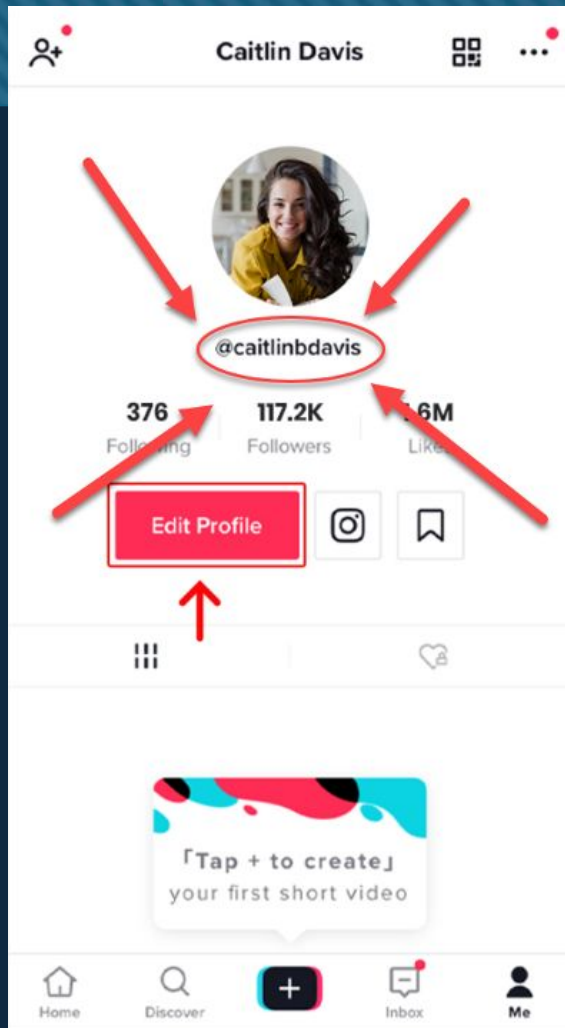
“What would my **parents** or **principal** say?”



Reporting Cyber-Bullying

- Screen Capture EVERYTHING
- Get the User ID
- Do Not Report to the Social Network
- Written statement with Date & Time (if no physical contact) and how did you feel?
- Print it all or save it electronically

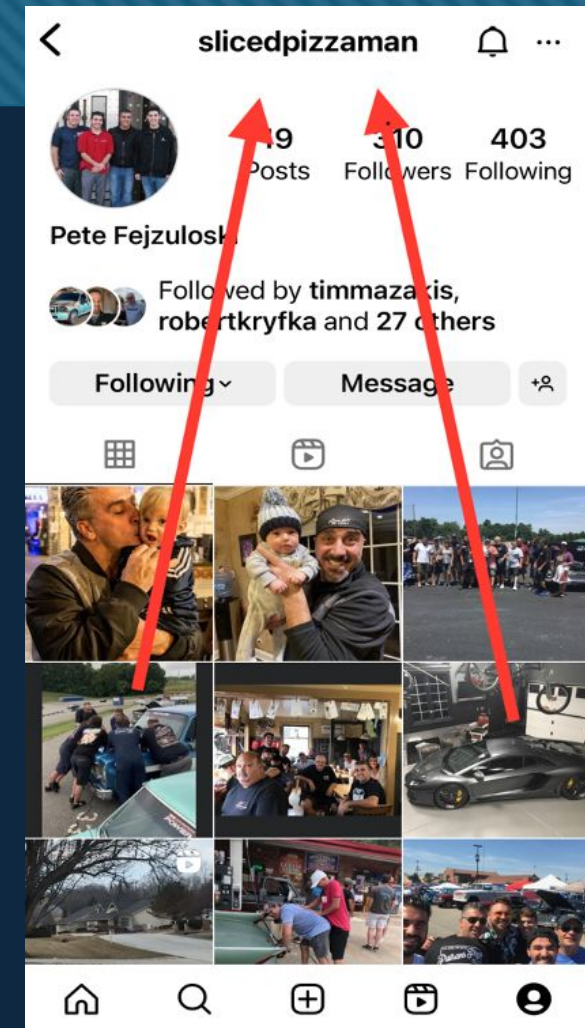
Where To Find User ID's



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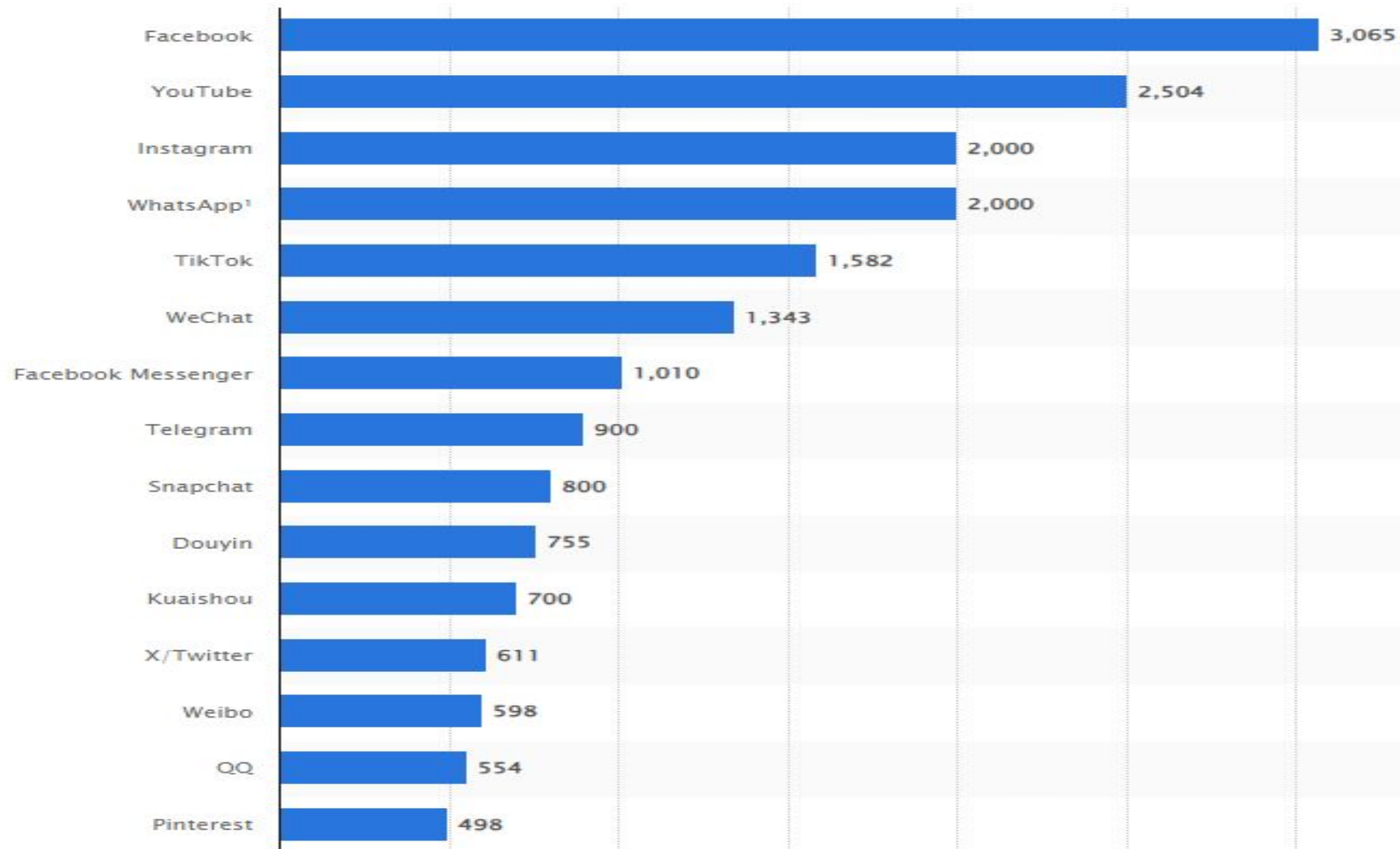
SNAPCHAT



INSTAGRAM

Trending Social Networks 2024

(monthly active users in millions)



Monitoring tools track location and activity when using devices

Allows parents to keep an eye on their child's online activity

Monitoring can prevent cyberbullying, online grooming, and searching for inappropriate content

Software Monitoring





If anyone tells you
“Don’t tell your parents”

That person
means you harm



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