

ONLINE PREDATOR OR BULLYING BEHAVIOR

Cyber bullying - sending or posting harmful or cruel text or images using the internet or other digital communication devices.

Cyber stalking/Harassment - terms that can refer to the online enticement of children, rude or threatening messages, slanderous information or repeated, unwanted messages.

Online Grooming - Using the internet to manipulate and gain trust of a minor as a first step towards the future sexual abuse, production or exposure of that minor. Sometimes involves developing the child's sexual awareness and may take days, weeks, months or some cases years to groom the minor.

Flaming - Sending a deliberately confrontational message to others on the internet.

PERSONAL INFORMATION SAFETY AWARENESS

Hacker - A popular term for someone who accesses computer information either legally or illegally.

Pharming - An online scam that attacks the browser's address bar. Users type in what they think is a valid web-site address and are unknowingly redirected to an illegitimate site that steals their personal information.

Phishing - An online scam that uses e-mail to "fish" for users' private information by imitating legitimate companies. People are lured into sharing user names, passwords, account information or credit-card numbers. The phishing e-mail usually contains a link to an illegitimate site.

Scammers copy the look of a web site to set up a nearly identical page, one that appears to be part of that company's site.

Virus - A computer program that can destroy files or make your computer "crash." Viruses can be sent via e-mail or through other file-sharing programs. Anti-virus software and not downloading information from people you don't know can help keep viruses from damaging your computer.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Dispatch (Non-emergency)...704-2740

OPD Main Office.....753-8300

Tumwater PD Main Office...754-4200

Thurston Co Sheriff's Office..786-5500

Lacey PD Main Office.....459-4333

Crime Stoppers.....493-2222

Crisis Clinic.....586-2800

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INTERNET SAFETY TIPS

DON'TS OF ONLINE CHATTING

- Post your cell phone number, address or the name of your school
- Post your friends' names, ages, phone numbers, school names or addresses
- Add people as friends to your site unless you know them in person
- Communicate with people you don't know
- Give out your password to anyone other than your parent or guardian
- Meet in person with anyone you first "met" on a social networking site
- Respond to harassing or rude comments posted on your profile
- Make or post plans and activities on your site
- Post photos with school names, locations, license plates or signs
- Post photos with the name of your sports team
- Post sexually provocative photos
- Respond to threatening or negative emails or IMs

DO THESE THINGS ONLINE

- Check the privacy settings of the social networking sites that you use
- Set privacy settings so that people can only be added as your friend if you approve them
- Set privacy settings so that people can only view your profile if you have approved them as a friend
- Remember that posting information about your friends could put them at risk

Youth should always get permission to access the internet and should be monitored when they do.

Follow your gut; don't be afraid to report a person or web site that seems suspicious. You can help stop online victimization.

~Here are some areas to pay particular attention to~

- Consider going through your blog and profile and removing information that could put you at risk
- Delete any unwanted messages or friends who continuously leave inappropriate comments
- Report comments to the networking site if they violate that site's terms of service
- Save or print questionable activity and include date and time
- Tell your parents or guardian if anything happens online that makes you feel scared, uncomfortable or confused

THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Spam and virus protectors are available at any retail computer store. They will provide a firewall to keep unwanted viruses, spam and cookies from entering your system.
- Parental guards for the intranet are also a good tool to keep kids away from unwanted material that they may come across while surfing.
- Make sure to get your children's passwords for their e-mail and chat names so you can access them regularly or if you have concerns.
- The more you talk about these things the more your children will listen and it will get through to them.

HELPFUL WEB SITES FOR MORE INFORMATION

- www.ncpc.org
- www.netsmartz.org
- www.2smrt4u.com
- www.dhs.gov
- www.ftc.gov
- www.fbi.gov