

TALK TO STUDENTS



This talk is about educating you on the benefits and dangers of using computers and the internet. Instructing you how to become 'street smart' and to use the computers and internet in a safe and responsible manner. Access is given to those who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Access is a privilege – not a right. Access entails responsibility.

1. I WILL respect and only use the computers, internet and e-mail system for school work, assignments, research, communicating with other students, teachers and experts in relation to my learning.
2. I WILL only use the software installed. I will not download and/or install software or do anything to damage the computers.

Respecting the equipment : being careful, clean hands etc..
Not using them to play games, goof off etc Do not download free games or files. People can trick you into clicking on a link that sends you into an unsafe zone.

3. I WILL be a good online citizen will not send offensive messages, use bad language, harass or attack others, use or interfere with another students work.

E-mail system is like a card or letter that is sent over the internet to someone instantly. Once you have typed and sent it there is no getting it back and it becomes very public, especially chat rooms and web pages (everyone else can read it.)

Images, text, music and movies can be attached to emails. Children feel anonymous and often say things that they would not say face to face. Cyber bullying can be carried out in emails, chat rooms, sms or web pages.

It includes teasing, being made fun of, sending unwanted messages or defamation. It is not acceptable to send an email of this nature or use bad language. It bounces and comes to me and I know everything.

4. I WILL tell my teacher straight away if I get a message or e-mail that is mean, uses bad or scary language or in any way makes me feel uncomfortable. I will not respond to these messages.

If you get an e-mail from someone you don't know, don't open it, tell a teacher.

5. I WILL tell my teacher right away if I come across anything that is scary, threatening or makes me feel uncomfortable.
Remember you will not get into trouble for letting your teacher know of anything you have stumbled across that makes you feel this way. If you see your friends getting into places that look unsuitable tell a teacher.
6. I WILL NOT give out personal information such as my full name, my address, my telephone number, address and name of my school or other identifying information when I'm online.
7. I WILL NOT send a picture of myself or anyone else over the internet.
8. I WILL NOT agree to meet with anyone I have 'met' online.

"Stranger Danger"

Peoples identity information can be used for dishonest or illegitimate purposes. They might use this information in a way that you never intended them to. You wouldn't provide this information to people you meet on the street nor should you on the internet.

9. I WILL NOT give my password to anyone (not even my best friend). I will not use another persons password.
10. I WILL acknowledge all material from the internet that I use. I will respect the work of others and not use it as my own.

Any material accessed from the internet should be acknowledged as such. Copyright laws must be followed. This includes using other students work. I will not use or interfere with another students work.

Not all material on the internet is true. It might out of date, incorrect, untruthful or biased. Be smart and make decisions on what you think is right and wrong and ask your teacher.

11. I WILL NOT waste limited resources (especially printing).