

# ONLINE SAFETY FOR KIDS

**TIPS FOR PARENTS** 



TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE THE WEB A SAFER PLACE FOR YOU AND YOUR TECH SAVVY KIDS

# DID YOU KNOW?



## **BRIDGE**

## THE GAP

62% of parents don't think youth can get into trouble online.

Think again.

86% of youth post personal information online.

Too much information?

48% of youth have looked up a site that their parents would disapprove of.

Kids push limits.

Almost  $\frac{1}{2}$  of youth have had a negative experience on social networks.

Yikes.

Almost 70% of youth admit hiding online activity.

Are you suprised?

46% would change their behavior if they knew their parents were watching.

Become tech savvv.

START THE CONVERSATION

TRU and McAfee, Online Safety Survey. April 2013



# **ACTIONS**



## **Use friends-only settings**

Make sure all posts and profiles on social networking sites are set to be viewed by "close friends" only.

#### **Update** passwords

Replace all old passwords with new complex ones and keep them private.

## Keep devices in the open

Computers, smartphones, and online games should be in high traffic areas.

### Disable geotagging

Prevent the storage of location based data on smartphones and cameras.

### Actively participate.

Know more about your kids' online networks and games. Work together to review friends lists and manage privacy settings.

#### **Use aliases**

Non-identifiable nicknames should be used on gaming and social networking sites.

# COMMUNICATION



# Advise your kids to keep personal information private

Make kids aware of the importance of privacy when posting or creating online profiles. Don't share information such as name, birthdate, home town, or school name.

#### STOP.THINK.CONNECT.™

Help your children remember these words when downloading, posting, and searching online.

#### You can't take it back

The Internet is forever, so instruct your kids to be careful about what they post.

## Cyberbullying

Here's what to say to your kids: Don't do it. Don't forward it. Don't respond to it. Tell your children to stop and block all correspondence and inform a trusted adult immediately if it happens to them.

# **TOOLS**



#### **Clean machines**

Use comprehensive security software (antivirus, antispyware, and firewall protection).

#### Use McAfee® SiteAdvisor®

Download this free tool that provides website safety ratings.

#### **Install protective software**

Parental controls can enable you to block, filter and monitor everything your child is doing online.

#### **Use auto-updates**

Remember to update frequently to make sure your anti-virus software is current.

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#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## **ONLINE SAFETY RESOURCES**



#### www.mcafee.com/onlinesafety

Learn more about what McAfee does to keep kids and families everywhere safe on the Internet. Inquire about a free online safety presentation at your child's school.



#### www.mcafee.com/ siteadvisor

Download SiteAdvisor, which is a free browser plug-in that provides simple red, yellow, and green website ratings.



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