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# STUDENT TIP CARD

## 9-12 STUDENTS

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### DID YOU KNOW?

- **43% of teens** have been victims of cyberbullying. <sup>1</sup>
- **52% of teens** who have been victims of cyberbullying do not tell their parents about it. <sup>2</sup>
- **96% of teens** use social networking applications such as Facebook, MySpace, chat rooms, and blogs. <sup>3</sup>
- **One in five U.S. teenagers** who regularly log on to the Internet say they have received an unwanted sexual solicitation via the Web. <sup>4</sup>

### SIMPLE TIPS

1. Keep your personal information private, including your family members, your school, your telephone number, and your address.
2. Think twice before you post or say anything online; once it is in cyberspace, it is out there forever.
3. Only do and say things online that you would do or say in real life.
4. Speak up. If you see something inappropriate, let the website know and tell an adult you trust. Don't stand for bullying—online or off.
5. Use strong passwords with eight characters or more that use a combination of numbers, letters, and symbols; don't share your passwords with anyone.
6. Think before you click--don't open e-mails from strangers and don't click on links for unfamiliar sites.
7. Use privacy settings on social networking websites such as Facebook.
8. Be cautious when downloading applications on your smartphone—they may contain malware that could infect your device.

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<sup>1</sup> National Crime Prevention Council, <http://www.ncpc.org/resources/files/pdf/bullying>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.guardchild.com/statistics/>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.statisticbrain.com/cyber-bullying-statistics/>

<sup>4</sup> Crimes Against Children Research Center

## RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO YOU

### StopBullying.gov

Find out what to do if you or someone you know is being bullied.

### Cybersecurity Awareness Volunteer Education Program (C-SAVE)

Access resources for holding a cybersecurity discussion with your peers at [www.staysafeonline.org/teach-online-safety/csave](http://www.staysafeonline.org/teach-online-safety/csave).

### NSTeens.org

Real-life stories, games, and comics that explore potential online dangers and how to avoid them.

### iSafe.org

Become an iMentor and promote cyber safety awareness in your home, school, and community.

## IF YOU'VE BEEN COMPROMISED

- Talk to a parent, guardian, teacher, or adult you trust.
- Keep all evidence of the interaction and write down the date and time when the incident occurred.
- Contact local law enforcement to file a report.
- If you received an online solicitation, make a report at [www.Cybertipline.com](http://www.Cybertipline.com) or call 1-800-843-5678.
- If you are a victim of online fraud, file a complaint with the Internet Crime Complaint Center at [www.ic3.gov/default.aspx](http://www.ic3.gov/default.aspx).

Stop.Think.Connect.™ is a national public awareness campaign aimed at increasing the understanding of cyber threats and empowering the American public to be safer and more secure online. The Campaign's main objective is to help you become more aware of growing cyber threats and arm you with the tools to protect yourself, your family, and your community. For more information visit [www.dhs.gov/stophinkconnect](http://www.dhs.gov/stophinkconnect).



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