



REMEMBER the 4 R's

The 4 R's apply to most online issues

RECOGNIZE

Internet Safety: Recognize techniques used by online predators to deceive, groom, or intimidate their victims.

Intellectual Property: Recognize what is copyrighted, licensed or protected intellectual property.

Identity Theft: Recognize techniques used by identity thieves to obtain people's personal information.

Cyber Bullying: Recognize 'flaming' and cyber bullying techniques and the bully's screen name or address.

REFUSE

Internet Safety: Refuse requests for personal information or a face-to-face meeting.

Intellectual Property: Refuse to download or copy video, music, or software given to you for free.

Identity Theft: Refuse to provide personal information by phone or email if you didn't initiate the communication.

Cyber Bullying: Refuse to open or read any message from a cyber bully.

RESPOND

Internet Safety: Respond assertively by exiting the program, logging off, or turning off the computer.

Intellectual Property: Respond assertively by only using intellectual property which is purchased legitimately.

Identity Theft: Respond assertively by contacting the three U.S. credit bureaus and put a fraud alert on your credit.

Cyber Bullying: Respond assertively by leaving the chat room without responding or the letter unopened.

REPORT

Internet Safety: Report any suspicious or dangerous contact that makes you or your child feel uncomfortable.

Intellectual Property: Report any incidences of people trying to sell illegal and/or pirated intellectual materials.

Identity Theft: Report any unusual, suspicious, or fraudulent activities to law enforcement authorities.

Cyber Bullying: Report cyber bullying to the ISP, the school, or law enforcement as needed to stop it immediately.