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# Cyber-Bullying: Suggestions for Students

### What to do if you are Cyber-bullied

- ▶ Tell a trusted adult
- ▶ Don't open messages from people you don't know
- Don't open or read messages from cyber-bullies
- ▶ Don't react to the bully
- ▶ If it is at school, tell a trusted adult at school
- ▶ Don't erase the message or images
- ▶ Block the bully
- ► Report cyber-bullying to ISP's
- ▶ If you are threatened, inform the police

### How to Prevent being Cyber-bullied

- Don't give out private information such as passwords or PINs
- Practice restraint
- Apply problem-solving skills
- When something doesn't seem just right, leave the site or app

# **Think** First!

► If you wouldn't say it to their face, then don't email or text it! It hurts just the same...

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- How to Prevent being a Cyber-bully
  - Don't email when you are angry
  - Don't email with friends and target someone for entertainment
  - Don't forward an email that someone sent as a private message
  - Don't post "questionable" pictures of others on your social network sites

## **Surf Smart**

► Explore the internet with skill and direction!

#### Share Less

► Keep your personal information private!

#### Think First

Interact online appropriately!

Contact the police immediately if known or suspected cyber-bullying involves acts such as:

- Threats of violence
- Harassing phone calls or text messages
- Stalking or hate crimes

# **Fact**

▶ Cyber-bullying is a serious issue and the Internet's "Virtual Society" is not going away. We have to learn to live in it as responsible global cyber-citizens.

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