

## The dos and don'ts of the

# INTERNET

## Follow the 3 R's

Be Respectful  
Be Responsible  
Be Reasonable



Stay safe and be  
happy on the  
internet

## CLASSROOM POLICIES AND TIPS FOR INTERNET USE

There are many concerns for student safety when on-line. Here are some policies and tips for your safety so you can enjoy the internet and your parents can feel comfortable letting you on-line.

### Cyber bullying

*Be Respectful* - Cyber bullying is "unwanted, aggressive behavior" (HHS, 2014) toward others. Let your parents or teachers know what sites you are using so they can help you decide what is safe. If you have a problem with what someone has said or posted on-line, let your parents and/or teachers know right away. If it continues, then block or delete the person as best as you can. If you see someone bullying, let a parent or teacher know, you may be helping more than you know. Everyone should be helping each other and offering positive words, let's not let bullying into our schools.

### Privacy

*Be Responsible* - It is very important that you not give your information to anyone you do not know on-line. If a site or person is asking for your phone number, address, date of birth, or any other personal information, ask a parent or teacher before writing anything. Strangers can be dangerous in person and on-line, so if you are talking to a stranger on-line, don't tell them any personal information. It is also important that you understand that any pictures you post on-line should be acceptable for anyone to see. Don't post pictures of your friends or other people without them saying it's alright, as well. (HHS,

### Netiquette

*Be Reasonable* - what is not good to do face-to-face is also not good to do on-line. You should talk to others with respect and be polite at all times. Be careful who you talk to and don't give any personal information to people on-line. Only go on sites that your parents or teachers have approved. If you get a message that tells you to do something that seems odd, tell your parents before doing anything. Don't write in all caps (LIKE THIS) because that is used for shouting. Always get approval to post anything that has other people in it or was written by someone else. (Carnegie Cadets, 2014)