

Do's and Don'ts: Guidelines for Online Safety

Think Before You Post

- *Don't* respond to any messages that are mean or in any way make you feel uncomfortable.
- Think before posting pictures of yourself or others online and don't post any pictures that are considered to be inappropriate (example: naked photos).
- *Don't* post anything offensive, rude or threatening (example: Don't belittle anyone's religion, race, gender, job, etc.)

Respect Others Online

- *Do* be a good online citizen and not do anything that hurts other people or is against the law.
- *Don't* send or forward images/information that might embarrass, hurt or harass someone

Protect Yourself Online

- *Don't* give out your passwords or personal information such as your address and telephone number to anyone.
- *Do* tell someone right away if you come across something that makes me feel uncomfortable.
- *Don't* agree to meet with someone you "meet" online without first considering the risks. If you agree to the meeting, be sure that it is in a public place and bring a friend along.
- *Do* adjust privacy settings on your page if needed (See Below)

Have Fun!

- *Do* use social networking to have fun, make new friends, share your thoughts with others and learn things online.