



Pre-K thru 5 Education

It is week three of National Financial Literacy Month! This week's topic is Cybersecurity. According to wehavekids.com, 23% of nursery school children are able to access the internet while the prevalence rate for kindergartners was 32%. Of those in grades 1 through grade 5, 50% accessed the internet regularly.

Internet usage among the youngest members of society continues to increase year after year. It is harder than ever for families to monitor and manage their children's digital activity. If you're a parent or guardian, you can help keep your kids safe by talking to them about their Internet use, teaching them about online dangers, and learning everything you can about the Internet so you can make informed decisions.

Tips for Parents

- Always sit with your child when they're online.
- Balance their screen time with other activities.
- Enable ad-blockers.
- Begin a conversation about respecting privacy. Instruct children to not share information with anyone about themselves or the family without checking with you first.
- Set a rule that your child may not interact with strangers online without your consent.
- Preview all websites, games, and apps they wish to use.
- Familiarize yourself with parental control features on video game systems, tablets, smartphones, and computers.



Password Safety

What is a password?

It's a top-secret word or phrase that helps you get onto an app, game, website, or device!

Having a strong password is the first step to protect yourself. The stronger your password, the more protected your computer will be from hackers and malicious software. Here are some simple tips on how to create a strong password:

- A password should be between 8-16 characters. It should contain a combination of uppercase, lowercase, numbers, and special characters.
- Do not use words or names that are personal to you. For example, do not use your name or your pet's name. Also, do not include numbers such as your birthdate, phone number etc.
- Avoid common words and number combinations. Examples would be Password or 12345.
- Do not use the same password twice! Create a new password for every account, game, app etc.
- Do not share your passwords! It is okay to share your passwords with your parents/guardians though.

Let's practice writing strong passwords below! Make sure they're at least 8 characters long. Good luck!

Password 1:

Password 2:

Password 3:

Password 4:

Password 5:

How did you do?!

Did you remember to use uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers and special characters?

Here are some examples of weak and strong passwords.

Weak Password	Strong Password
Money1234	M0n3yis#1\$
Sam1225!	\$aMLovesH0lid@ys!
Bennydog14	1L0v3B3nny14!



Cyber Security Word Search

X	T	A	A	I	P	Z	C	Y	L
V	D	A	P	R	P	O	D	D	P
I	S	P	E	U	M	V	R	Q	Z
H	N	B	R	P	G	O	S	X	Z
J	Y	T	U	I	W	L	G	O	Y
C	V	T	E	S	V	Z	Y	T	P
C	E	C	S	R	Z	A	E	X	H
R	Z	A	H	H	N	F	T	L	L
E	P	Q	C	N	A	E	O	E	Y
N	S	D	Y	S	F	N	T	Y	N

Cyber Private Computer

Internet Safety Password

Draw a picture and write about something you could do instead of using technology!

A large, empty rounded rectangle with a blue border, intended for a child to draw a picture.Five horizontal lines for writing, intended for a child to write about something they could do instead of using technology.

Red Light - Green Light Internet Safety



Read each statement below and color the stoplight green if the statement is safe or red if the statement is unsafe.

	Safe	Unsafe
It is ok to share my passwords with my friends.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I should always follow my parents online and internet rules.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is ok to download new apps without telling my parents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If I meet someone in a chatroom or while gaming, is it ok to share my address, and phone number?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Setting up strong passwords is VERY important.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If I receive an email, I should always click on attachments and/or links.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It's ok to use my name as part of my password.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If an ad pops up while I am online, it is ok to click on it.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Color the padlock below, cut it out and hang it up as a reminder to
ALWAYS be careful and follow internet safety rules!

