

Parents:

Below you will find links to a few excellent websites that provide parents with valuable information and tips in addressing cyberbullying situations with their children.



C **yperbullying:** (cyber-bullying, online bullying) is the use of electronic information and communication devices such as e-mail, instant messaging, text messages, blogs, mobile phones, pagers, and defamatory websites to bully or otherwise harass an individual or group through personal attacks or other means, and it may constitute a computer crime. Cyberbullying is willful and repeated harm inflicted through the medium of electronic text. Like bullying, cyberbullying involves recurring harm and can be distinguished from peer harassment as a subset of aggressive behavior because bullying represents a pattern of behavior committed over a period of time. The term cyberbullying was first used by Canadian educator Bill Belsey, creator of the Web site www.bullying.org.¹ (Wikipedia)

<http://www.common sense media.org/cyberbullying>

Common Sense Media is dedicated to improving the lives of kids and families by providing the trustworthy information, education, and independent voice they need to thrive in a world of media and technology.

<http://www.net smartz.org/cyberbullying>

NetSmartz Workshop is an interactive, educational program of the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC) that provides age-appropriate resources to help teach children how to be safer on- and offline.

<http://cyberbullying.us/>

The primary mission of the Cyberbullying Research Center is to provide up-to-date information about the nature and extent of online aggression among adolescents.

<http://www.stopbullying.gov/cyberbullying/>

Find out why cyberbullying is different from traditional bullying, what you can do to prevent it, and how you can report it when it happens.

http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/cyberbullying_guide.pdf

A parent's guide to cyberbullying.