# Just Because You Can, Doesn't Mean You Should

## **Netiquette for Students to REACH HIGHER with Technology**

The acceptable way to communicate on the Internet



### Your Digital Footprint - Do you know what yours looks like?

- Your reputation is at stake. Your digital footprint is a representation of who you are.
- A digital footprint is any online information about a person that can be searched, shared, and seen by a large, invisible audience.
  - (http://www.edutopia.org/discussion/how-important-are-students-digital-footprints)<sup>1</sup>
- Colleges, employers, future friends and acquaintances will search for your digital footprint. What do you want people to know about you? What do you NOT want them to know?
- Align your online image with what you hope to be, not where you are now.

**Social media**: forms of electronic communication through which users create online communities to share information, ideas, personal messages, and other content (Merriam Webster Dictionary)

#### **Protect Yourself**

 Never give out personal information, including, but not limited to, last names, phone numbers, addresses, birthdates, and pictures.

### Think before you post

Would you want your grandma to see it?

- Ask yourself, "Is this something I would want my parent, teacher, or principal to see?"
- Posting is permanent. Deleted content still exists somewhere on a screenshot or server.
- Comments related to the school should focus on being positive towards the school image.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "How Important Are Students' Digital Footprints? | Edutopia." 2014. 22 Jul. 2015 < <a href="http://www.edutopia.org/discussion/how-important-are-students-digital-footprints">http://www.edutopia.org/discussion/how-important-are-students-digital-footprints</a>>



If someone else picks up your phone and takes a picture, it will most likely show up on social media.



If you walk away from your device, someone may create something and post it.

## **Cyber-Bullying**

 Cyberbullying is bullying that is repeated that takes place on your computer, cell phone, or tablet. It can also be used on social media like Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, and when you text! <a href="https://www.stopbullying.org">www.stopbullying.org</a><sup>2</sup>

Examples of cyberbullying: Sending mean text messages, rumors sent by email or posted on Facebook. Posting embarrassing pictures and videos or even creating fake profiles.

## **Accountability** - Your relationships matter.

- How you interact with others now makes a difference.
- Know that there are consequences to your actions.
- Take responsibility for what you are posting. Be your best self online.
- If your social media presence is related to the school, your actions can result in school discipline. (Know the Responsible Use Policy)
- Follow the school's code of conduct when writing online.
- Disagree with respect.
- Classroom rules apply to school social media.

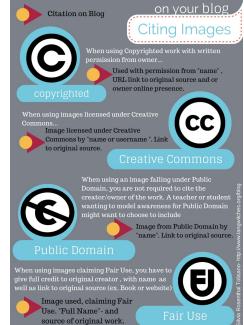
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "StopBullying.org: The Leading Stop Bullying Site on the Net." 2003. 22 Jul. 2015 <a href="http://www.stopbullying.org/">http://www.stopbullying.org/</a>>



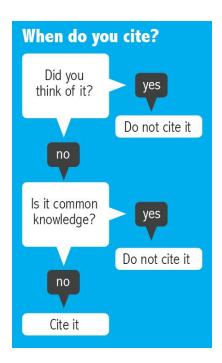
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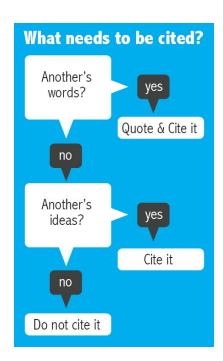


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