

# ONLINE SAFETY FOR KIDS

# Develop Cell Phone Rules

When you decide your children are ready for a mobile phone, teach them to think about safety and responsibility.



# **Establish responsible use:**

Do you allow calls or texting at the dinner table? While doing homework? These are the types of questions you should establish and discuss with kids to set boundaries.



#### **Decide on options and features:**

Things like privacy settings, web filters, and child-safety controls should be discussed with your mobile phone carrier. For all online use, it is smart to utilize parental control tools.



### Don't stand for mobile bullying:

Talk to your kids about treating others the same way they want to be treated. It is easy to hide behind a screen and forget to apply manners and ethics.



# Get familiar with social mapping:

Many mobile phones have GPS technology installed. Advise your kids to use this feature only with people they know and trust, not to broadcast their location to the world.

