**Title of Session:** Cyberethics, Cybersafety, Cybersecurity (C3) - Sexting

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**CarolineMa**: I have a question...I'm in a place that does not provide the greatest connection. If I get disconnected, will I be allowed back in?

**BJB2**: you should be able to log back in, Caroline

CarolineMa: Thank You

**BJB2**: the only problem you may have is that when some people lose a connection their screens get out of synch

**BJB2**: this may be a problem for you...you will land in reception, but not be able to move back to this room

**BJB2**: to solve the problem, remember that the CHAT location is the default. You have to make the web window match the chat location

**BJB2**: so just go to the Drop down menu next to Go!

**BJB2**: select Tapped In Reception and press go

**BJB2**: once you realign the screens by doing that, you'll be able to move

**BJB2**: I'll be logged in at Reception and will be able to help you if you forget

**AmyHan** joined the room.

**SarahRJ** joined the room.

**MikeDo** joined the room.

**BJB2**: good, Amy and Sarah and Mike!

**MikeDo**: howdy

CarolineMa: thank you again

**DavinaP** joined the room.

**BJB2** waves hi to Davina...safely home from Texas?

**MikeDo**: heh i kno

**BJB2**: Davina is the leader of this discussion

DavinaP: hello all

**MikeDo**: today's session will be right up my alley.....I was receiving messages like these before they were called sexts

**BJB2**: all these people participated in the tour yesterday, Davina, so they're pros at using TI

**BJB2**: Welcome to this month's Cyber 3 discussion!

**BJB2**: We usually start with introductions. Please tell Davina what brings you to Cyber 3 and the topic of Sexting.

**DavinaP**: hello everyone! large group tonight so BJ will start us off with some online tips to make it easier to handle a large group

BJB2: oops...tips! You got it!

**DavinaP**: oops we will start with intro's first...

**BJB2**: this is a really big group!

**BJB2**: go ahead and do your intros...where you are and your interest in the topic....

**MikeDo**: HI...I'm mike. I'm here b/c I'm required to be here; but I'm also big into cellular technologies and hold interest in all aspects

**BJB2**: but once intros are done, please listen to Davina. She will give you lots of opportunity to ask questions

**KristineT**: from VA--and am interested in keeping my students safer online

**SheilaM**: Hello, I am from an alternative school environment in VA and as well doing a webquest on cyberbullying

**BJB2** . o O ( good job, Travis )

**JenniferP**: I think a lot of young people are naive and do not realize what they are doing can hurt them and I want to understand the situation better myself

**ErinPh**: Hi I am Erin and I am joining this session as a masters student. I want to be an elementary teacher

**JeremyS**: From Spotsylvania VA. Interested in learning about internet safety.

JanieceS: NY first session

**MariangelG**: I'm in this chat room as a requirement for a masters course. I'm interested in this topic because it will allow me to become knowledgeable in this topic for my future class

**WendieJ**: I am a student at UMW and we recently did a class research activity on internet safety and the topic of sexting came up so I felt this would be informative. As an administrator, my husband has had to deal with this (in middle school....). Nice to join the discussion.

**GaeN**: I teach middle school and also have children in High school, so keeping them all safe in a big concern

**CarolineMa**: Hello, my name is Caroline and I'm from NY, however right now I'm in the Poconos. I am here because I was required

**BarbaraSW**: in VA picked this for an online class I am taking was asked to pick something interested in (I have three teenagers at home!)

**SuzanneB**: I'm from NY. I'm here as part of a class assignment for a master's program course.

**TravisF**: I teach at a high school in Virginia and I am interested in internet safety and the ways kids are using technology for all kinds of reasons.

**SarahRJ**: Hello, I am a grad student in VA. This is a very current topic and good to have some knowledge about it.

**JosephY**: Hi my name is Joe and I teach high school. I feel a lot of my students have no clue exactly what some people are up to on their computers.

**JessicaCi**: I'm in graduate school and want to be an elementary school teacher and help my students with technology

**JaclynZ**: Hi. My name is Jaclyn. I'm in grad school in The College of Staten Island. I want to be an elementary school teacher

**AmyHan**: in grad school for elem ed, find the topic interesting and want to learn more

**JaclynZ**: I am here as part of my media course.

BJB2: one more tip for you all...

**BJB2**: when Davina shares a url, make sure you hold down the ctrl key on your keyboard to override pop up blockers...or turn off your pop up blockers

**DavinaP**: excellent! welcome all looks like a lot from NY and VA and most are here as requirement but hope you enjoy and learn along the way. I am Davina from MD and senior researcher and policy analyst from Ed Tech Policy, research and outreach and much of my research focuses around C3 topics--cyberethics--safety and security

**JeffC**: also... if you click Actions-- Detach you may maximize your chat window (also Actions-- Larger Text).

**BJB2**: thanks, Jeff

**BJB2** . o O ( Actions is in the top right of your chat )

TravisF: Good tip, Jeff

**DavinaP**: detach will help with the scrolling issues--with such a large group...

**DavinaP**: OK so tonight we were going to discuss "sexting"---can anyone share your definition or insight into this topic?

**SheilaM**: Sexting is when children send inappropriate pictures to each other

**GregoryD**: sexting is sending sexual stuff via texting on a cellphone

MikeDo: ditto

WendieJ: text with sexual language

**TravisF**: Using text messaging to solicit sex or to sexually harass???

**KristineT**: texting with the intention of making sexual comments or innuendo or pics

**JessicaCi**: texting with a sexual message

CarolineMa: sending sexual messages

**JaclynZ**: Sexual connotations via text

**GregoryD**: anything sexual via text

**JeremyS**: Sexting is texting with a sexual message

**DavinaP**: great... seems most have an idea of the topic of concern...The Urban Dictionary provides us with this definition:

**DavinaP**: v: the act of text messaging someone in the hopes of having a sexual encounter with them later; initially casual, transitioning into highly suggestive and even sexually explicit

**JosephY**: anything sexual sent via computer or cell phone

**DavinaP**: Question #2--what's the problem with sexting?

BarbaraSW: illegal

**KristineT**: against the law

MariangelG: illegal

**MikeDo**: young people doing it....not realizing that computer stuff is sometimes forever

JosephY: illegal

**JeremyS**: minors involved

**JenniferP**: people you didn't send the message to have the ability to see it

**SarahRJ**: I don't believe these children should even have phones to be able to do sexting

**JessicaCi**: children doing sending the messages

**JaclynZ**: kids don't realize the extent of their actions

**SheilaM**: can be dangerous

**TravisF**: It can be intimidating, and a form of sexual harassment--against the law

**GregoryD**: underage kids are being encouraged to engage in sexual activity

**JaclynZ**: they think just because its not face to face its ok

**SuzanneB**: It's inappropriate and illegal

WendieJ: can get them into trouble and not even know what they are getting into

**GaeN**: kids can get into deep trouble before they even understand what they are doing,

**JosephY**: it gives some people courage because its not face to face

**AmyHan**: they don't understand what they are doing

**ErinPh**: it can be very dangerous and can lead to harmful actions by the receiver

**SarahRJ**: can be charged with child pornography

**JaclynZ**: it might be a child only on one end

**ErinPh**: there are many consequences

**TravisF**: can be sent to multiple people, not just the original person it was meant for

**CarolineMa**: the exposure to children

**JeremyS**: tends to take place during school day= loss of instruction

**GregoryD**: they ought to simply outlaw texting on cell phones.. Period

**GregoryD**: cell phones are for talking, not texting

**DavinaP**: Ok you are around the ball park--illegal in SOME cases--sexual pictures if

under age is the big key if texting only if concerned harassment

**BarbaraSW**: texting is useful if used appropriately

**JanieceS**: what age should you be to have a cell

**GregoryD**: define appropriately

**GregoryD**: adult age

**MikeDo**: emergencies

**CarolineMa**: I have seen students in third grade with cells

**MikeDo**: non-verbal communication

**GregoryD**: me too

**BarbaraSW**: connect with parent

**MikeDo**: deaf people

**DavinaP**: Ok so let me refocus and define again.....

MikeDo: \*hearing impaired

**BarbaraSW**: checking in on children

**SarahRJ**: a child should only have a pre-paid phone for emergencies and that's it if they even need that

**GaeN**: I use texting to keep in touch with my children all the time. Often I'm in a place where I can't hear the phone, but can get text messages.

**DavinaP**: we can discuss later if time discussion around age of cell phone use but let's refocus on the sexting topic

**JenniferP**: my kids are in third grade and most do not even know thier own telephone numbers

**GregoryD**: Kids should reach the age of 18 before they're allowed to use a cell phone

**GregoryD**: Cell phones are a major distraction in the classroom...I've caught many students playing games and texting their peers, etc..

MariangelG waiting to refocus

**DavinaP**: I want to make sure everyone understands that just viewing a porn picture is not illegal-unless it is of an under age child ... AND where the real issue lies is sending the under age picture on

**JosephY**: that happens in all schools

**JenniferP**: is it illegal if the person u are sending it to is also underage?

GregoryD: sure

**JenniferP**: I mean both of u are underage

KristineT: yes

**MikeDo**: ya

KristineT: yes

**GregoryD**: non-contact sexual crime

**TravisF**: Isn't it illegal to also view porn if you are underage? Even if the picture is of someone over 18?

**DavinaP**: texting sextual messages are also NOT illegal-unless it is considered a form of

harassment

**GregoryD**: like someone flashing another in a park

**JanieceS**: so if my student downloads an adult sex pic at 13 it's legal?

JaclynZ: no Travis

**KristineT**: sexting is harassment then-how do we go about teaching children how to be

responsible

**KristineT**: we really need to scare them

MikeDo: since we all know what it is? I have a question...

GregoryD: non-contact sexual harassment includes harassing another with sexual

messages

**TravisF**: That's exactly my point, Janiece

**GregoryD**: illegal nonetheless

**JenniferP**: that's ridiculous....at any age?

**JaclynZ**: its wrong but I don't think there's a law against it

**MikeDo** raises hand to mod

**GregoryD**: there is...I believe it's in Megan's Law

**JaclynZ**: maybe, I've never heard..sorry

**JenniferP**: u seem to know a lot about this Gregory....

**GregoryD**: talked about it in class

**JenniferP**: ok so if I want to send a pic to my boy friend...not saying I am....he can say

its harassment?

**JaclynZ**: do you have to show ID to buy a playboy?

JenniferP: yes

**JaclynZ**: then it is illegal

**WendieJ**: If we don't even know what is legal and what is not, how are our students or children supposed to know

**JenniferP**: I was just thinking that!!

**GregoryD**: education

**KristineT**: and how do we teach them to be responsible?

**JaclynZ**: hence workshops like these lol

**JosephY**: good point Wendie

**MikeDo**: Wendie....regardless of illegality, students shouldn't be doing it in school...i think that's the point

**JaclynZ**: but where's Davina?

**GregoryD**: basic course

**KristineT**: what are the strategies--we don't have ability to regulate their phones

**DavinaP**: each state has different statues ..depends on which state you are in a good resource would be....

**JessicaCi**: shouldn't we educate the parents of our students too

**JeremyS**: Who is responsible- the student with the phone, or their parents who signed the phone contract?

**JosephY**: maybe kids do it in school bc they're bored

**GregoryD**: Megan's Law is a federal law

**MikeDo**: correct Kristine. that's why I was raising my hand to the moderator

**GregoryD**: but some states enforce it more than others

**TravisF**: Do you know Virginia's statute?

**GregoryD**: no, but NJ is very strict

**JaclynZ**: well at home it's a parents responsibility...like putting blocks on phones and computers, and at school it's our job

**SarahRJ**: the parent who signed the contract

JanieceS: both

DavinaP: National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse

MariangelG: yea I heard NJ is really strict

**JenniferP**: I forgot the code when u are leaving the keyboard for a minute but I'm running in the other room for a sec

**MikeDo**: I guess the only thing we can do is educate....we cannot check the contents of someone else's cellular device

**DavinaP**: take a few minutes to look at <a href="http://www.ndaa.org/apri/programs/ncpca/ncpca\_home.html">http://www.ndaa.org/apri/programs/ncpca/ncpca\_home.html</a> on the right side is state statues

MariangelG: I thought they weren't allowed to have cell phones in class

**KristineT**: what if it's the children having "fun?"--just "messing around" and the parents back that behavior all the time

**SuzanneB**: they shouldn't be bringing their phones to school anyway

**JosephY**: but they are and there is nothing stopping them

**BJB2** checks to make sure everyone got the url...and reminds everyone to hold down the ctrl key

**TravisF**: But we still need to educate them on appropriate use of a cell phone outside of school

**BJB2**: http://www.ndaa.org/apri/programs/ncpca/ncpca\_home.html

**JaclynZ**: cant open it

**JanieceS**: my son needs it for after school what do I do

**JosephY**: if a girl has a phone on her lap how is a make teacher supposed to stop her?

**GregoryD**: That's why we raise the cell phone usage age to 18 or 21 and hopefully, all cell phone companies will simply eliminate their texting programs...perfect world

**JosephY**: without it looking like the male teacher was looking somewhere he shouldn't be

**GregoryD**: texting is really fundamentally unnecessary

**MariangelG**: what if they may need it for legit reasons though

**JanieceS**: they will just use computers than

**GregoryD**: we've used land lines for many years without texting and we did just fine

**CarolineMa**: what are some punishments by law if children get caught?

**BJB2** wonders if anyone is looking at the url that Davina shared?

**MikeDo**: what if they're hearing impaired?

KristineT: I am

**TravisF**: I love texting....it allows you to get straight to the point without having to talk. Texting has a purpose

MariangelG: I am

**BJB2**: thanks, Kristine and Mariangela

**SheilaM**: I am looking at URL trying to find VA

**SuzanneB**: students should at least have the phone off during school hours if it is in fact necessary for them to have a cell phone

**GregoryD**: texting is too unregulated and dangerous as well

JessicaCi: I am

MikeDo I am, too...lots of info

**GregoryD**: you can only regulate texting by eliminating it entirely

**GregoryD**: if you don't, the sexting problem will always be there

GaeN: I am

SarahRJ: I am too

**TravisF**: Sexting should be illegal....not texting.

**GregoryD**: how would you accomplish that?

**JessicaCi**: but how can it be stopped

JenniferP: back

**SarahRJ**: morals and education

**KristineT**: so if you can't eliminate texting--then what? give up? you have to try something

JanieceS: no pic text

**GregoryD**: have federal gov't issue an executive order barring all texting software from all cellphones

**DavinaP**: Ok hope everyone could find a few tidbits from their state--perhaps return in see what cases and outcomes etc....

**SuzanneB**: As teachers, we have to guide our students in the right direction. Parents play a large role in this as well.

**DavinaP**: moving along....

**WendieJ**: I agree - there isn't anything wrong with texting just as there isn't anything wrong with going online - it is when things are used the wrong way

**MariangelG**: this is a good website to hang onto.. very informative

**MariangelG** is impressed

**BJB2**: a reminder that all urls will be in your transcripts

GregoryD: ok

**DavinaP**: we understand that the main issue with students sexting is that they do so without thinking thru the consequences

**JaclynZ**: ok ill take a look at it later, I keep getting kicked out when I try

**GregoryD**: interesting discussion

**TravisF**: The reality is texting is not going away, so we need to educate students on how to use it appropriately and to know when they are being a target of someone sexting.

**JaclynZ**: yes Davina..so there should be a course or some type of education where students may be made aware of the consequences

MariangelG: I think if you educate the students and they are well informed of their

actions

**DavinaP**: so its the Cognitive Development

**MariangelG**: it will eliminate a lot of these issues

**JenniferP**: I think so....but would they really be able to understand the consequences

**JaclynZ**: and I also think that parenting plays a large role

**DavinaP**: Don't consider all the consequences of words or acts

**DavinaP**: Limited life experience

**DavinaP**: Brain still under construction

**GregoryD**: students will always find other ways to text

**WendieJ**: Rules and regulations need to clearly outlined in the parent/student handbook

that they both signed

**DavinaP**: Frontal / Prefrontal lobes responsible for

**DavinaP**: • reasoning

**DavinaP**: • goal and priority setting

**DavinaP**: • impulse inhibition

**DavinaP**: • emotional control

**DavinaP**: • determining right from wrong

**DavinaP**: • determining cause and effect relationships

MikeDo calls his students "uncooked chickens"

**DavinaP**: Frontal / Prefrontal lobes still under construction ...until when?

**MariangelG** doesn't know

**BJB2**: 75?

**SheilaM**: Don't know, please tell

**BJB2** winks...21?

**TravisF**: 27???

JeremyS: 30

MariangelG laughing

**Gregory D**: what's the topic now?

**SuzanneB**: every child develops at different rates...it could range

**KristineT**: educating our students is a responsibility -- but only if we are using that technology in our classes--if we are not--why is out our responsibility?

**DavinaP**: mid-20's and for students with ADD and ADHD even later--reason why students still do stupid things in college

**JenniferP**: cognative development in students Greg

AmyHan: probably starts in teen years

MariangelG: very true!

MikeDo agrees with Kirstine

**TravisF**: everything is now our responsibility in education. Parents are let off the hook entirely too easily

**DavinaP**: so the question brought up is what do we do...so...

**GregoryD**: great point Travis

**JessicaCi**: I agree Travis

JanieceS: agree

**JosephY**: I feel at times like it's our job to warehouse kids for 7 hrs a day

**GregoryD**: Kids are also let off the hook too easily

**DavinaP**: in school yes I think it is very important that schools -school systems etc... define the rules and cell phone use

**KristineT**: yes. what do we do?

**DavinaP**: do I think they should eliminate NO!

**JaclynZ**: When I was little, we had Health class that taught us what to do with our bodies that were developing and what not to do. Now with technology, we need to expand those classes and add all these new things.

JenniferP: I agree

MikeDo: tru dat

JeremyS: agree

MariangelG: good point!

**KristineT**: we teach sex ed--why not teach that as part of it?

**GregoryD**: complain to the parents and hopefully, many of these parents will take their kids' cellphones away as punishment

**MariangelG**: yup.. educate them

**AmyHan**: incorporate cellphone and internet safety in curriculum

**JenniferP**: teachers need to keep up with technology and its outcomes and so do students

**DavinaP**: that would be like schools stating no cell phones at work--only works if you work in top secret location like NSA

**TravisF**: I am a health teacher and we cover this in Family Life (sex ed)

**JenniferP**: the outcomes

CarolineMa: great point Kristine

**SuzanneB**: teachers can discuss what is or is not appropriate with the class...this doesn't necessarily mean that they wont do this though

**DavinaP**: otherwise you learn to control and how to manage

**JanieceS**: maybe a night class so parents and kids learn together

**DavinaP**: turn them off when in schools etc...

**BarbaraSW**: as a parent you should be aware of what your children are doing online and with their phones. Be up to date with technology don't hide from it. Know their

passwords and check phones when they sleep and shower. Put limits on the phone, computer, monitor

**KristineT**: good Travis--hope all do--but you are hs

**KristineT**: it needs to be covered in ms

**GregoryD**: parents should not allow their kids to bring cellphones to school... PERIOD

**KristineT**: maybe even es

**MariangelG**: as early as elementary grades

**AmyHan**: definitely es

**TravisF**: I agree, it needs to be covered in middle school, maybe even the latter years of elementary school (unfortunately)

**GregoryD**: cell phones can encourage developmental disorders like ADHD

**KristineT**: what?

**GregoryD**: and/or cognitive disorders

**MariangelG**: how do you know that?

**JenniferP**: but I think the issue is about teaching good decision making because they can make poor choices in person with someone not just on the phone

**WendieJ**: Cell phones get taken away in the ms here, if a teacher sees it, whether it is on, off or even being used

**KristineT**: seriously?

**GregoryD**: cell phones can be like watching too much TV in class over a period of time

MikeDo scratches his head

**GregoryD**: the student's attention is fixated on the phone, not the teacher

**SuzanneB**: In reality cell phones will and are being brought to school...schools need to do something to make sure they are off during school hours.

**AmyHan**: u don't get adhd from too much tv

**GregoryD**: it doesn't help

**BJB2**: CAN YOU ALL STOP TYPING FOR A MINUTE, PLEASE?

CarolineMa: but they get extremely addicted

**JenniferP**: but it's not the cause of adhd!

**DavinaP**: OK LET ME SUMMARIZE

**GregoryD**: students who watch less TV do better in school

**JanieceS**: could students just bring them to a room and pick up at end of day

**BJB2** WAITS FOR EVERYONE'S ATTENTION

**JosephY**: no way...that becomes a security issue

BJB2 hands the virtual floor over to Davina

**DavinaP**: Thanks!!!

**BJB2** . o O ( text chat is fun, but it can become chaotic if there is no discussion leader to direct topics )

**DavinaP**: OK so one we agree on is that schools need student code of conduct aup's spelled out etc....

**GregoryD**: sure

JeremyS: agree

**DavinaP**: would I argue to eliminate cell phone no--I think we need to educate (thru modeling as well) how to use it in public

MariangelG nods

**JenniferP**: I do not agree

**GregoryD**: true, but that just creates more work for us teachers

**JaclynZ**: nature of the beast

**DavinaP**: one of the issues for K12 is that much happens out of school that then flows over into school causing issues at time

**SarahRJ**: they should not be allowed at school PERIOD

**GregoryD**: cell phones for K-12 should be banned from schools

**JeremyS**: Cell phones can be a very useful tool

**SarahRJ**: Leave it in there car or go home first after school

**KristineT**: ugh--but if they are not--we have to have some education and some rules and some safeguards

**JaclynZ**: grades 9-12 are working teenagers who take buses..why shouldn't they have phones?

**DavinaP**: in regarding to sexting (today's topic) ...one of the real problems is that there are currently no laws on the books for this type of behavior

**JenniferP**: I never use my phone in school because I do not feel it is appropriate....but it is in my bag on vibrate...

**GregoryD**: Jeremy: what are the major benefits of cell phone use in a classroom?

MariangelG: uh ohh off topic again!

**JenniferP**: why should there be a law....there isn't anything criminal about it

**KristineT**: so we need to start talking with our representatives--make sure there are laws

**DavinaP**: currently if a person (child under age) forwards on a picture of a child under age they can (and have been) charged with child porn-distribution of

**JeremyS**: Could use to keep track of assignments.

**KristineT**: laws about sexting-not texting

**JeremyS**: I've thought about getting one to keep a calendar or schedule of meetings

**JaclynZ**: Davina, I think that since it's such a new phenomenon, it might take a while to be put into affect

**GregoryD**: it's rude...cell phone use is like "burping" and/or "chewing gum" in class...rude and non productive

**JanieceS**: how do we create a law and what should it be

**SarahRJ**: that is true Davina

**TravisF**: as a parent, I want to be able to contact my kids as soon as school gets out or if they are on an athletic/school sponsored trip, but I understanding where you are coming from Gregory

**JenniferP**: can you take a nude photo in person with a cell phone?

**DavinaP**: of course the current laws were not meant for that--the intent of the law was to deter adults from this behavior

**MariangelG**: are they working on it Davina?

JessicaCi: but how is it caught...children can "sext" and then delete

**GregoryD**: When you bring a cell phone into a classroom, you are essentially bringing in a small screen TV

**JenniferP**: ok but there is a difference between being guilty of poor judgment and dist of c porn...even for teenagers

**WendieJ**: kids may feel peer pressure to "sext" or be bullied about it (I don't know if this is a real issue or not)

**DavinaP**: OK EVERYONE LISTEN UP\_\_NO TYPING RIGHT NOW FOR A FEW PLEASE

GregoryD: ok

**JaclynZ**: how is sexting any different from taking the pics with a camera and uploading them and sending them via computer..the issue isn't the cell phone, it's the lack of information for children

**JenniferP**: that is what I am trying to say

MikeDo: SHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH

**DavinaP**: laws will be moving forward as more cases come along==go to the site sent earlier and see the current pending laws for your state--but these all take time to move through the process

**GregoryD**: the cell phone is the issue because Kids use them for recreational purposes only in a classroom setting and that's a recipe for not being able to teach the kids

**DavinaP**: also LATER check out

 $\frac{http://abcnews.go.com/Technology/WorldNews/story?id=6456834\&page=1}{the video snippet does a good overview} \ and watch the video snippet does a good overview$ 

**GregoryD**: when the kids get bored in class, they just turn on their cellphones

**BJB2** frowns at Gregory

**TravisF**: Gregory, I would hate to get caught with a cell phone in your classroom:)

**GregoryD**: ha ha ha

**JenniferP** frowns also

**DavinaP**: OK then someone mentioned that you should talk with kids and know what they are doing YES!!! ask for the passwords--if you're paying for the cell you should know what's happening esp as a parent you'll have to pay the lawyer fees perhaps later on

**GregoryD**: I've caught many students doing that

**BJB2** frowns at Travis...come on you guys! LISTEN

**GregoryD**: I've been relegated to walking around a classroom and telling students to turn those off or I'll confiscate 'em

**JaclynZ**: Yes Davina..it's up to educators and parents as are other major decisions about children's well-being...until of course it becomes a law

**GregoryD**: sad reality

**BJB2**: if you want to add threads to the discussion, join this group and post to the discussion board

**JanieceS**: yes, but parents don't know how most phones work

**JaclynZ**: and then hopefully the severity and reality of it will be clear

**GregoryD**: Parents need to "wise" up

**KristineT**: so educating the parents is also a priority

**DavinaP**: additionally, it was mentioned that "they can delete" please if nothing else realize NOTHING and I mean NOTHING can be deleted if in digital format--there are companies that make a living archiving data

**KristineT**: like this

**DavinaP**: once it is digital and sent it can and probably will end up someplace you least expect it

MariangelG: wow.. scary

**JenniferP**: that is scary

JaclynZ: very scary

**TravisF**: Good point Davina. Kids need to be taught that just because they "delete", it is

still there

MikeDo makes a scary face

JosephY: wow

**GregoryD**: kids make drug deals via cellphone

**JessicaCi**: children don't know that

**GregoryD**: I've seen it happen...crazy stuff

**KristineT**: parents do not realize it, either--a lot of education is needed

**JaclynZ**: workshops would be a good idea, at the least

**DavinaP**: I tell adults and students if you won't mind your parents, boss or next door

neighbor or rabbi/pastor seeing it it's ok otherwise don't

**KristineT**: should the phone companies be making sure everyone is aware of this?

**DavinaP**: try this go to WayBackMachine

**KristineT**: that is a good idea

**GregoryD**: Unregulated cell phone use to a direct threat to higher education!

JenniferP: huh?

**GregoryD**: or simply education

**KristineT**: way BackMachine?

WendieJ: Davina, Can blocks/filters be put on cell phones the way they are on

computers?

**DavinaP**: go to <a href="http://www.archive.org/index.php">http://www.archive.org/index.php</a> type in one of your favorite website

and see how it looked say back in 1999

MikeDo bangs his head against his desk

**JeremyS**: I've seen this before. Excellent website

**GregoryD**: classroom PCs are heavily regulated...

**MariangelG**: wowow that is awesome!

**GregoryD**: the NYC Dept Of Ed bans all social networking sites on their classroom computers

**JeffC**: consider having them unban Tapped In, Greg.

**KristineT**: that is very interesting--good model to show students

**JeffC**: we have a safe and secure K-12 Campus here.

**GregoryD**: public classroom computers need to be regulated

**GregoryD**: and private as well

**DavinaP**: waybackmachine is just one of many groups that archives information--in addition, students can copy and paste code (just like you do with youtube clips) into their own social networking site

**JeffC**: <a href="http://snurl.com/tifirewall">http://snurl.com/tifirewall</a> shows how to open a hole in the firewall to allow TI. <a href="http://snurl.com/nochat">http://snurl.com/nochat</a> also shows how to install java. students need to be able to work and collaborate and communicate online.

**DavinaP**: so lets say today BJ's my friend and she gives me access to her facebook account and I like a picture she has so I copy it into my facebook site--next week BJ's not my friend anymore--but guess what I still have the picture

**KristineT**: I agree--communication is a skill so needed--especially in this world of technology

**JaclynZ**: that's true, scary but true, and I don't think kids realize this

**MikeDo**: bj owns the copyright to the pic...disseminating it is illegal

**KristineT**: don't put it up--like you said, Davina--unless you are willing to have it out there forever

**JeffC**: and if you repost it with a moustache you'll be reflecting badly on yourself!

**GregoryD**: recording any kind of movie is technically illegal

**GregoryD**: because you don't have the consent of the person who made it

MikeDo: correct

**GregoryD**: Therefore, regulation is the key to this mess

**DavinaP**: additionally, please realize that even if you think you are "private" only allowing friends--kids say that "well I only allow friends" well first of all who really has 12,973 friends--get real and next even if you think its private--no its not--easy to get around

**KristineT**: but isn't it true once you put it out there--it is not yours anymore

**BJB2** disagrees about regulation and prefers education

KristineT: me too, BJ

**JeremyS**: Education is key.

**TravisF**: Kids (and adults) need to understand that pictures that may seem cool now, are not so cool anymore when they are applying to colleges, trying to get a job....later in life

**JaclynZ**: agree about education

**MikeDo**: I agree...verizon wireless should educate its consumers

MikeDo: I'm too busy

MikeDo smiles

**GregoryD**: I agree computer education is vital..but teach the kids useful stuff like MS word, MS Excel, etc...

**DavinaP**: regulation is probably not going to work--hasn't much and internet is more than US so much is international laws which wouldn't fly in other areas--ie porn for example is not a big deal in many places outside of US

**KristineT**: like I said earlier--phone companies have a responsibility to ed their consumers

**JenniferP**: I agree with that

**JosephY**: that is true

JeremyS: agree

**GregoryD**: Obama will be taxing the internet soon in my opinion...and the internet will begin to get regulated

**DavinaP**: educating the citizen on how to use the tech wisely and to behave accordingly is much better

**JenniferP**: but they would need parental consent....like everything else

BJB2: right, Davina

SheilaM: good point

KristineT: yes, Davina

**BJB2** looks at the clock on the wall.

**SuzanneB**: these companies, parents and teachers all play a role in this and have to teach these children what is appropriate and inappropriate

**BJB2**: This was certainly a spirited discussion!

**DavinaP**: same with security--companies can make all the widgets and gadgets and as many policies can go into place up to your %%#^A# --BUT IF A PERSON IS SILLY ENOUGH TO GIVE OUT INFORMATION OVER THE PHONE OR THRU A EMAIL THEN HAVIC STILL HAPPENS

**JaclynZ**: its an issue communities have to come together to deal with

**GregoryD**: parental consent is not the "ace in the hole" in this debate, because a lot of parents shouldn't be parents in the first place!

**GregoryD**: The divorce rate in this country is now over 50%

JanieceS: AMEN

**KristineT**: way off topic

**SarahRJ**: Isn't that the truth, and a shame really.

**BJB2**: and even with sophisticated filters, kids will link to sites

WendieJ: agreed

**DavinaP**: getting to the end of our hour--perhaps we can follow up with next month Online reputation management--a presentation I think is very helpful for educators and

students

**GregoryD**: that means a crisis in parenting exists..which trickles down into the education problem and cell phone problem

**BJB2**: sounds good, Davina.

**DavinaP**: ORM is actually a "REAL THING" it's in wikipedia so it must be right?

**GregoryD**: It's all connected

**JeffC**: <a href="http://snurl.com/netc1">http://snurl.com/netc1</a>

**JeffC**: I really should have put that up before.

**JeffC**: think of positive things to do with students...

**JeffC**: that article shows some things done over a dozen years ago

**JeffC**: with inner city kids at the 4th percentile...

**KristineT**: networking is a skill we have to have in this new realm--we can't just stop

**KristineT**: thanks Jeff--I'm going to read it now

**BJB2** waves goodnight