

STUDENT ADVISORY ACTIVITY
9th GRADE
SESSION #17

Topic: Internet Awareness

Time Required: 35minutes

Objective:

Students will understand safety and survival skills and apply coping strategies.

School Core Values & Beliefs Expectations Codes:

Self Directed Learners, Knowledgeable People, Complex Thinker,

Activity Statement:

Students will explore the importance of responsible use of electronic media as a method of socialization including the Internet – chat rooms, blogs, social websites and email. They will discuss the pros and cons of Internet use and the dangers that exist.

Materials Needed:

- Handout 1 – Pros and Cons of the Internet
- Handout 2 – Dangers of the Internet
- Handout 3 – Safety Resources

Procedure:

Ask the students the following questions:

1. Do you have a posting on MySpace or Face Book?
 2. Do you IM your friends and family?
 3. Do you chat with strangers?
 4. How much time do you spend on the Internet outside school hours?
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- Give students Handout 1 and review the pros and cons of using the Internet as a communication tool.
 - Divide students into small groups and give them Handout 2. Each group should discuss the Internet dangers and have them record examples of these dangerous activities and the consequences. The examples may be either from personal experiences or those they are aware of from the news.
 - Have students share their responses to the Internet dangers.

Discussion Questions:

1. What can you do to protect yourself from the dangers of the Internet?
2. Have you or someone you know been harassed on the internet.
3. What did you do?
4. What should you do if you feel that you are being exploited or harassed

Next Advisory Lesson:

Reflection; How is it going so far?