



Grades 9-12 Digital Citizenship Curriculum Letter to Parents

Dear parents and caregivers,

Your child is taking part in classroom lessons from **Common Sense Education**. Common Sense helps students learn the habits and skills they need to use technology safely and responsibly in school, at home, and beyond.

WHAT IS DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP?

Teens today may seem like experts at using technology, but the digital world requires all kinds of skills and habits that kids don't just pick up as they go. Digital citizenship helps them learn those skills.

The Common Sense lessons help high school students reflect on their tech use and look at how media is designed to hook them. They also learn about online hate speech, how what they post online affects their future, and ways to spot hoaxes and misinformation.

WHAT FAMILIES CAN DO

Common Sense Education provides resources to help you support your kid's learning. As we teach these lessons in class, we'll be sending home tip sheets and activities for you to do with your kids. You can visit the Common Sense website at www.common sense media.org for more.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. Working together with Common Sense Education, we can prepare today's kids to think critically and use tech in positive, creative, and powerful ways.

Sincerely,

To learn more about Common Sense Education's tools and resources, visit www.common sense.org/education.