



RESOURCES

www.besmartwireless.com

The "Be Smart. Be Fair. Be Safe: Responsible Wireless Use" initiative equips parents and teachers with tools to teach kids about responsible mobile device use.

www.BeSeen.com

An online game and app designed to teach teens and tweens about appropriate wireless use and the consequences of misusing wireless technology.

www.webwisekids.com

Since 2000, Web Wise Kids has been a leader in preventing online child victimization by providing innovative and effective tools to assist young people to flourish in a world of media and technology.

www.connectsafely.org

A nonprofit interactive forum and resource center providing tips and videos, plus a place to ask questions, comment on issues, and discuss youth online safety with parents, experts, and teens.

www.netfamilynews.org

Kid-tech news for parents—the nonprofit "community newspaper" of tech parenting and children's online safety.

www.ncpc.org

The National Crime Prevention Council's mission is to be the nation's leader in helping people keep themselves, their families, and their communities safe from crime.

www.netsmartz.org

Safety education for kids, parents, educators, and law enforcement from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

ABOUT US

CTIA The Wireless Foundation

Founded in 1991 by the members of CTIA-The Wireless Association®, The Wireless Foundation offers programs that harness the power of wireless technology to benefit American communities.



Wireless AMBER Alerts

Use text messages to help in the recovery of abducted children.



text4baby

A free mobile information service designed to promote maternal and child health with free SMS health tips timed for a woman's due date.



The VITA™ WIRELESS SAMARITAN AWARDS

Recognizing people and organizations across the country who use wireless technology to stop crime, protect property, and even save lives.



CALL TO PROTECT®

Through collecting and recycling old wireless phones, the CALL TO PROTECT® program has generated over \$3.5 million in grants to organizations working to end domestic violence.

BE A SMART WIRELESS CITIZEN

Wireless phones are incredible safety tools that keep your family connected and offer a lifeline in emergencies. But like all technologies, using them inappropriately or at the wrong time can have serious consequences.

The Wireless Foundation has created this pamphlet to help your family start a discussion on responsible wireless use. Inside is a family contract that can help keep your wireless use safe and constructive.

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PARENTAL CONTROLS

For more information on tools from your wireless carrier to keep your family's online experience positive, please visit wirelessfoundation.org.



MAKE THE RIGHT CALL!

- In a serious emergency, **call 911 first** before calling family or friends for help.
- **Only reply** to messages or answer calls from people you know.
- **Think twice** before sending anything too personal or embarrassing, even to a friend! Remember that texts, emails, and posts last forever and can be forwarded to anyone.
- Take advantage of **privacy settings** in social networks to keep photos and other updates restricted to your close friends and family.
- **Stay alert** – Don't talk or text when you are doing anything that requires your full attention such as driving or crossing a street.
- **Don't be rude!** Ignoring the people you're with to stare at your phone sends the wrong message. So does posting mean comments about other people online.



Family Contract

- ☀ I will follow all rules about using cell phones in places like schools or airplanes.
- ☀ I will always answer family members' calls or return them as soon as I can.
- ☀ I will not send or share inappropriate pictures or text messages.
- ☀ I will talk to my parents if a message makes me feel threatened or uncomfortable.
- ☀ I will not use my phone to insult or embarrass other people.
- ☀ I will not share personal information online, including my address, phone number, or school.
- ☀ I will not use my phone while driving or during other activities that require my attention.
- ☀ I will stay within my plan's usage limits for messaging, internet, and voice calls, and won't download or subscribe to anything without getting permission first.
- ☀ I will turn my cell phone off each night before _____ PM.

Our family has discussed the responsibility that comes with owning a wireless device. We will set reasonable consequences if any of these rules are broken. As wireless technology evolves and our children mature, we will revisit these rules and update them accordingly.

SIGNED

Student

Parent

