

DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY & INFORMATION



DTI eSecurity News — Cyber Security Month

Cyber Security Pledge

October is National Cyber Security Awareness Month. In recognition of the important role each of us plays in securing cyberspace, we invite you to take this pledge developed by the Center for Internet Security.

I pledge to:

- Take personal responsibility for security and use good security practices.
- Pause and consider the risk before I connect to the Internet.
- Lock my computer when I leave my workspace.
- Treat my mobile device like the powerful computer it is, and protect it -- both physically as well as by activating security features such as password and anti-lock, anti-virus software, and remote wipe.
- Follow my organization's policy and promptly report all security incidents or concerns to my organization's security office or contact.
- Safeguard sensitive data from any inappropriate disclosure.
- Not post personal, sensitive, or non-public information on social media.
- Not participate in any cyber bullying activities.
- Raise awareness of good security practices among my family, friends, colleagues, and community.

Fourth Grade Fun!

Do you know a 4th grader? If so, please share the information below with your student's school.

DTI is again offering Cyber Safety presentations for 4th graders in schools statewide. Our presentation is fun and fast-paced, using videos, games, and interaction with students. Topics covered include: Cyber Citizenship, Cyber Bullying, Cyber Security, and Personal Safety.

Teachers and school administrators can schedule sessions during the months of October, November, or December by registering online at:

<https://cyberschool.dti.delaware.gov/>.

Tablets – The New PC

Everyone loves tablets. In fact, they've over taken PCs in popularity and the trend continues to grow. Most of our computing needs can be done on a tablet. Long lasting battery life, simple touch screens and the perfect size for portability makes them very appealing. And let's be honest, they're also a great way to keep kids entertained!

Kids and Tablets

According to a Nielsen report 78% of parents with tablets let their kids under the age of 11 use them at home. Almost half of these parents believed that their kids were using the tablet just for educational purposes. (Nielsen's 2013 Connected Device Report). However, the McAfee Digital Deception Study says this might not be the case. They found that 45% of children/young adults, between the ages of 10 and 23, would change their online behavior if they knew their parents were watching.

Sharing

Sharing a tablet among family at home increases online security risks. Here are a few important points to consider:

Shared Pins/Pass Codes: Tablets do not always provide for multiple users, and may only permit one pass code to unlock the device.

Shared Network Settings: A device that is used for both home and work might accidentally provide a child with access to the employers network.

Shared Data: On most tablets, all data is accessible once the tablet is unlocked.

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