

2013-2014 Internet Safety Instructional Program:

1. Students

- a. Elementary – each student receives Internet Safety instruction delivered by the computer lab instructor, library media specialist and/or school resource officer.
 - i. Internet Safety for Elementary School: the purpose of NetSmartzKids is to introduce young children to the basic concepts of personal safety during the most impressionable time in their lives
 - ii. Instructors and specialists can use NetSmartz materials created specifically for Elementary school students.
 1. K-2nd grade - Find videos, lesson plans and safety pledges at www.NetSmartz.org/Education/download/?lang=&ages=K-2
 2. 3-4th grade - Find videos, lesson plans and safety pledges at www.NetSmartz.org/Education/download/?lang=&ages=3-4
 3. 5th grade - Find videos, lesson plans and safety pledges at <http://www.netsmartz.org/education/download/?lang=&ages=MS>
 4. K-5th grade students can visit www.NetSmartzKids.org to play Internet safety games, watch videos, and send e-mails to the NetSmartz characters
 5. K-5th grade students and classes can join Club UYN at <http://clubuyn.netsmartzkids.org/Login> to enter contests, see the latest videos and games, and complete activities that the entire class can do together.
- b. Middle – School Resource Officers, High school students in the experiencing education program, technology resource teachers and/or health teachers will provide Internet Safety training to middle school students through their Health/PE classes and/or technology resource classes. Students enrolled in technology resource classes receive Internet Safety instruction using various resources.
 - i. Internet Safety for Middle School: NSTeens was created for tweens ages 8 to 12 on the Internet. NSTeens features an ensemble cast of eight relatable friends that attend NS High School. Faced with the challenges of being typical teenagers, which at the least includes dealing with gossiping cyberbullies and “creepers” trying to gain access to social networking profiles, our crew must look out for each other to make sure everyone comes out of high school with their lives and reputations unscathed. The NSTeens always help each other make safer choices on- and offline.
 - ii. How: To appeal to a broader audience of older kids and tweens,

NSTeens animations combine humor-filled banter with practical safety tips. Talk-back segments where real students share their opinions and an interactive webcomic round out a robust array of resources. NSTeens aims to introduce kids to safety lessons through realistic situations and has succeeded in garnering approval from kids and adults alike.

- iii. Health, PE, Technology instructors and all instructional staff can use NetSmartz materials created specifically for Middle School students. The topics covered include cyberbullying, social networking, online predators, future consequences, posting personal information, etc.
 1. Middle School – Find videos, lesson plans and safety pledges at <http://www.nsteens.org/TeachingMaterials>
 2. Tweens can visit www.NSTeens.org to watch videos, read a web-comic, and read the bios of the characters they meet in the NSTeens videos.
 - c. High – Video clips will run over media retrieval systems or via the Internet to classrooms. Videos may be created in house or can be found on various Internet websites. Video topics should be on topics such as: Online Predators, Identify Theft, Sexting and Cyberbullying.
 - i. Internet Safety for High School: NetSmartz teen materials are more serious than our other resources, as they focus on real-life stories shared by actual teens that have experienced victimization firsthand. These compelling narratives teach teens to examine their behavior and encourage them to communicate with trusted adults.
 - ii. How: Real-Life Stories is especially effective in that it demonstrates the power of peer-to-peer education. The teens featured in this series have chosen to tell their stories in order to help youth in similar situations. Teens are much more affected by the personal stories of their peers rather than second-hand accounts delivered by well-meaning adults. The teen's powerful stories expose the issues of online exploitation and cyberbullying with a gripping realism that compels teens to learn from their peers' mistakes.
 - d. Real-Life Stories can be played as the video clips that will run over the media retrieval systems every day for one week. Can be downloaded at <http://www.nsteens.org/TeachingMaterials?tab=RealLifeStories> Internet Safety resources will be shared with our instructional staff throughout the year. We emphasize with our teachers to use "teachable moments" to address Internet Safety. Teachers will be reminded to model appropriate Internet use in their classrooms.
 - i. All materials can be accessed at www.NetSmartz.org/Education.
2. Staff and Administrators
- a. Up-to-date information and resources on Internet Safety will be shared via email, our technology newsletter, video clips and web resources.
 - b. Best practices on Internet Safety instruction will be identified and shared division wide.

3. Parents/Community
 - a. As more Internet Safety materials and resources are discovered, they will be added to our website.
 - i. <http://www.shenandoah.k12.va.us/cms/One.aspx?portalId=3199965&pageId=5381101>
 - ii. Parents can find tips about keeping kids and teens safer online when they are home at www.NetSmartz.org
 - iii. Anyone can report online enticement to www.Cybertipline.com
 - iv. Parents can attend NetSmartz Parent Presentations that can be downloaded at www.NetSmartz.org/Presentations Technology teachers, Sheriff's Office, and other educators can conduct these presentations for free in their communities
 - b. Videos produced for airing in the high schools can be aired on Shentel Cable TV8 or posted online.
 - c. The Instructional Technology Supervisor will be available, along with school staff to present information on Internet Safety at school sponsored community events.
 - i. Age-appropriate Internet safety presentations are great to do in the community and can be downloaded at www.NetSmartz.org/Presentations.
 - ii. Free materials for parents about child safety can be distributed during Internet safety events. Visit www.Take25.org for more details about setting up an event.
4. Internet Safety Week will be held division wide the week of February 3 - 7, 2014. Division and school wide activities will be planned throughout the week focusing on Internet Safety.
5. Additional Internet Safety resources can be found on our division website: <http://www.shenandoah.k12.va.us>

Any questions about our Internet safety curriculum should be directed to our Instructional Technology Supervisor, Timothy F. Taylor. His email is tftaylor@shenandoah.k12.va.us.