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**NEW INDIAN MODEL SCHOOL**  
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# Cyber Awareness for Parents

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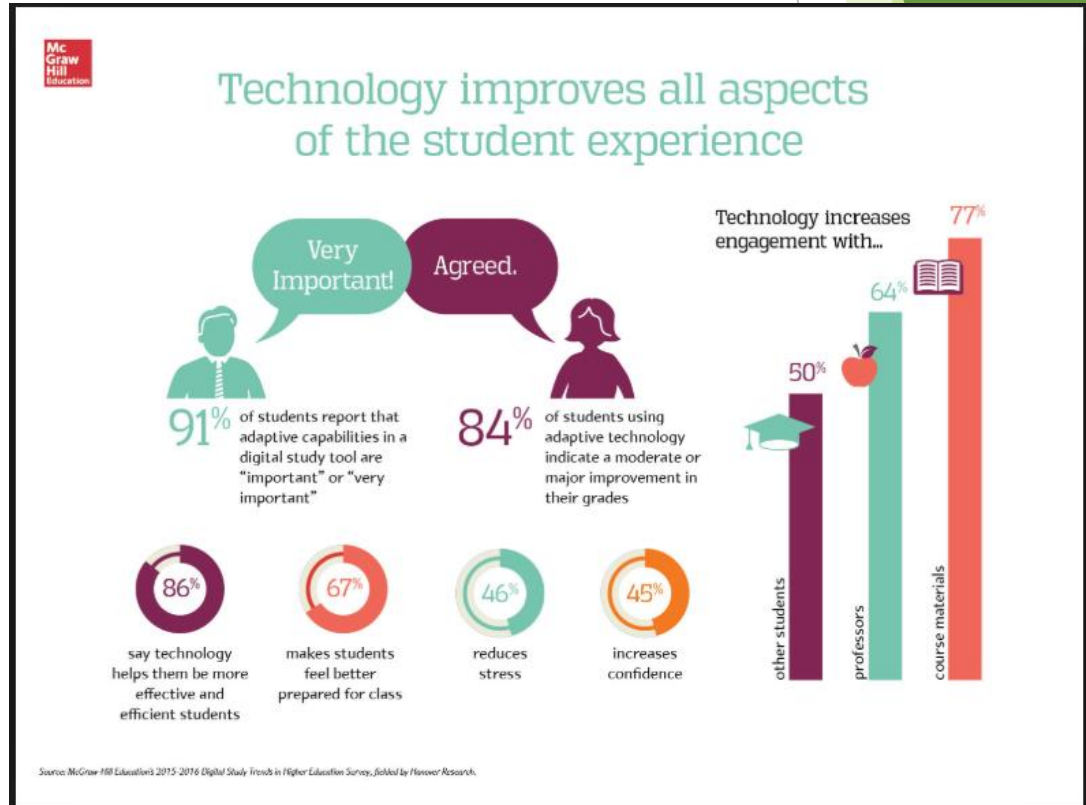
# Internet World:

- For Students:
    - Communication - Email, Social media
    - News and research
    - Entertainment: Video, Music
    - Playing online games
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# Internet benefits:

- Internet not bad at all
- Students are able to find and learn so many things related to their academics and interests as Documents, PPTs, YouTube Videos, PDFs etc.
- Offers support and collaboration forum
- Develop their passion
- Helps them express themselves
- Plenty of mind games available online





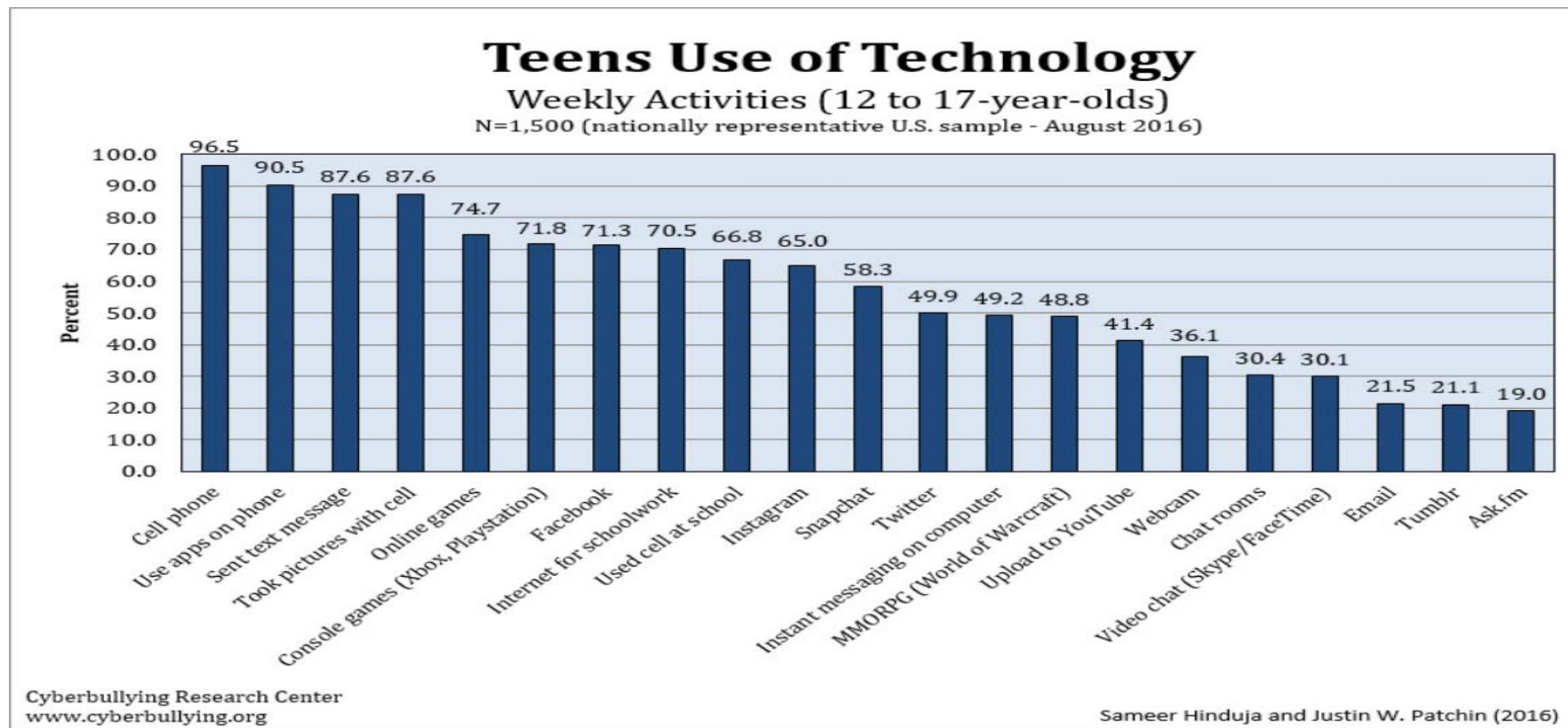
# Top 5 internet threats:

- Inappropriate contents - Pornography, hate and violence contents
  - Cyberbullying - Bullying peers through messaging, social media, games
  - Predators - Social networking sites, chat rooms
  - Data theft - Passwords, personal and financial information
  - Malicious software - Virus, adware, spyware, phishing scams
- *Fully 95% of teens have access to a smartphone, and 45% say they are online 'almost constantly'.*



# Cyber Predators:

- In 82% of online crimes against minors, the offenders used the victims social networking site to gain information about the victims likes and dislikes. And 65% used the site to gain home and school information.



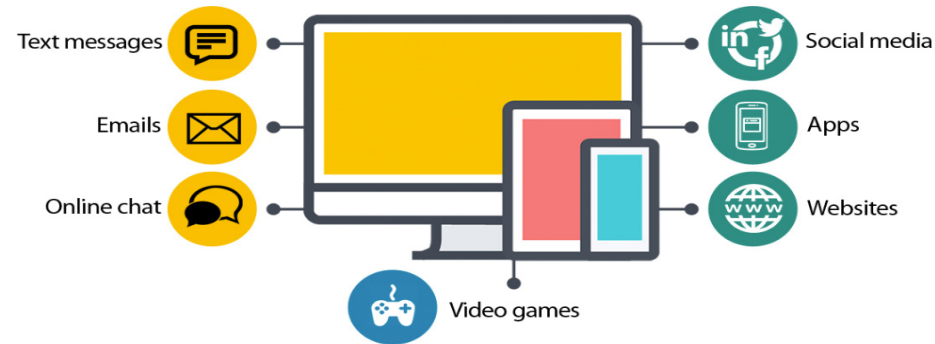
# Cyber Predators prevention tips:

- Consider when your child can go online
- Utilize Privacy Settings
- Monitor and guild online behaviors
- Monitor messages
- Place computer in a common area
- Keep names anonymous
- Monitor your child's email and social networking site
- Remind kids that computer use is NOT confidential
- Use Parental control software: [Qustodio Free](#), [FamiSafe](#), [SocialShield](#)



# Cyberbullying:

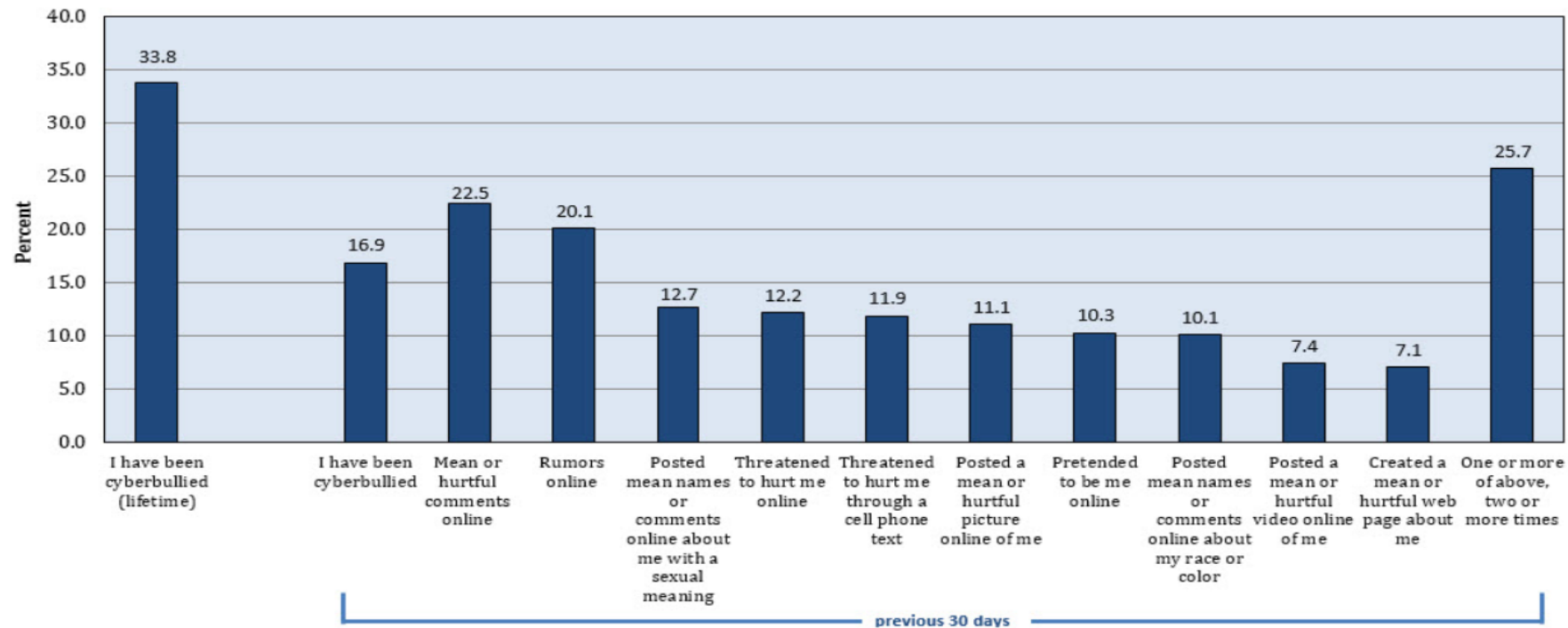
Rumors, embarrassing pictures, harassing messages and creating fake profiles sent through:



## Cyberbullying Victimization

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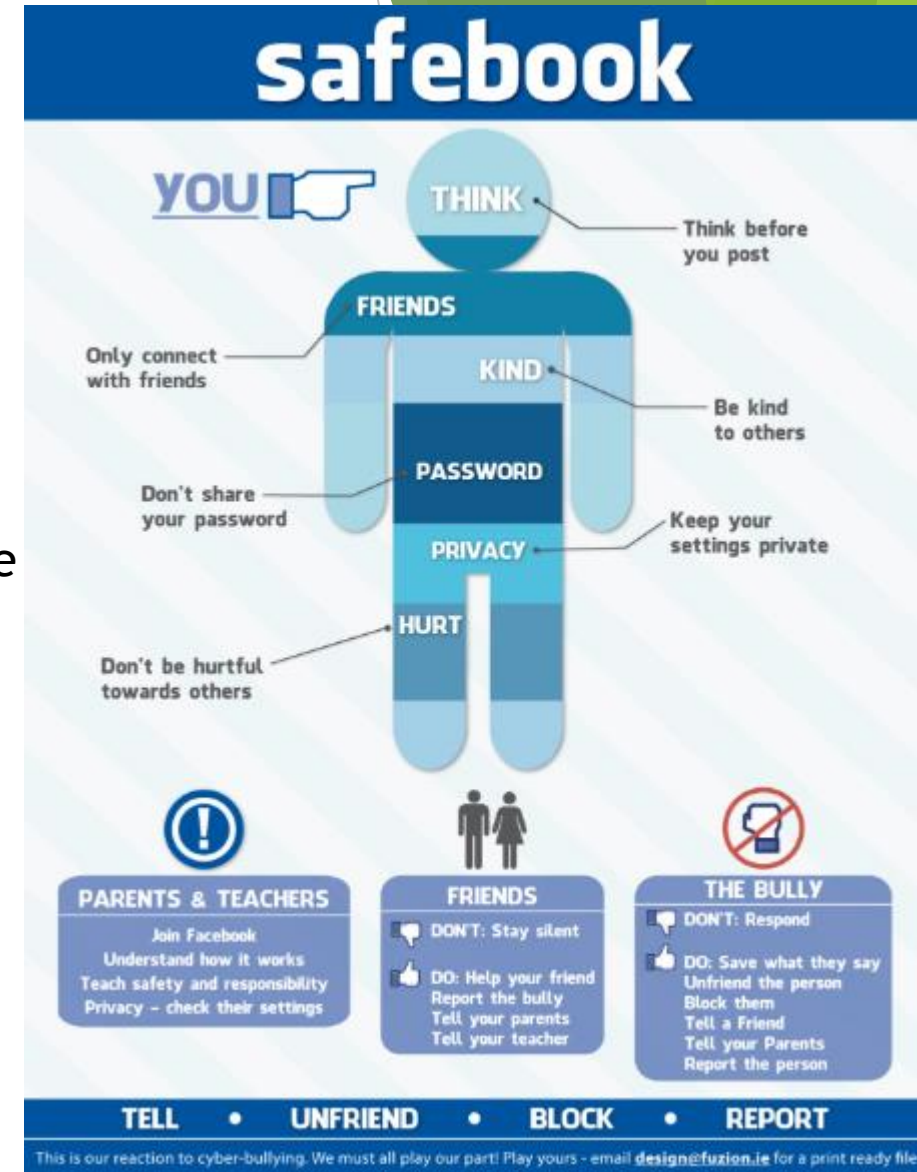
Nationally-representative sample of 12-17 year old middle and high school students in the U.S.





# Cyberbullying tips:

- Remind your child to be a good cyber citizen
- Do not respond: Tell your child not to respond to rude emails, messages or comments
- Save the evidence: Take screenshots and note when the harassment occurred
- For harassment via social networking site or email, block or remove the account or create a new account
- For harassment via phone calls, block the number
- Contact your internet service provider or school authorities to report the event

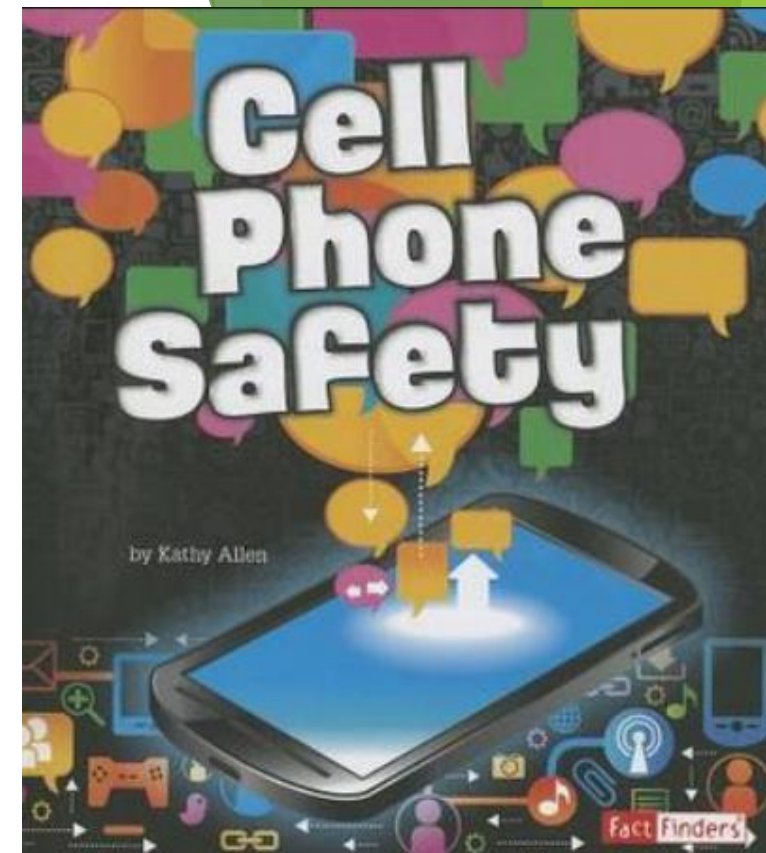


# Personal profile tips:

- Parents preapproval of all software/apps, pictures/videos
- Remind your child:
  - Don't post personal information; email address, mobile numbers, etc.
  - Don't share password
  - Do not respond to any request for personal information.
- Educate them on how to keep username, email addresses gender neutral
- Avoid personal pictures in profiles
- Encourage your child to tell you right away if anything happens online that bother or frighten them

# Cell phone tips:

- Review all cell phone records for any unknown numbers and late night phone calls and texts
- Remind your child that texting is viral. Anything sent in a text can be easily modified and shared
- Teach your child never to reveal cell phone numbers or passwords online
- Talk to your child about the possible consequences of sending inappropriate explicit or provocative images or text messages
- Online shopping should be under the supervision of the parents
- User Parental control in your phones



# Gaming tips:

- Know the safety features of the gaming equipment. Voice masking, etc
- Keep gaming console in an easy-to-supervise location
- Beware of the other places where child may be accessing games
- Educate your child to never share personal information or meet anyone outside the game
- Teach your child not to respond to any rude or bullying events
- Set rules on how long the child should play, what games to play and with whom
- Have you child check with you before using a credit/debit card





# Malware tips:

- Computer system:
  - Keeping the predatory software - OUT
  - Keeping your valuables - IN
- Malicious codes: Virus, worms, Trojans
- Parasitical malware: Spyware, adware
- Email scams, Identity fraud
- Keep the operating system security updates, Firewall, Virus definitions up-to-date



# Parents tips:



- Open Communication
- Know your child's online friends
- Don't overreact to anything your child tells you
- Guard your identity
  - Make user name generic and anonymous
  - Little information is needed to get to know you
- Monitor your child's technology use
- Understand the services child uses
- Know usernames, passwords, and email addresses
- Never meet anyone met online
- Keep the operating system security updates, Firewall, Virus definitions up-to-date

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