

Some Information on Electronic Communication

The Internet is Big... Very Big:

Once you post or hit send, it's out there forever. No one owns the Internet.

Stuff you post or send can go to anyone. It's no longer private.

Don't Put the Following Information on the Internet:

Identifying Information: Your School, Pictures of you wearing your school shirt (blur them), your phone number, address, your social security number, when and where your parents work, when and where you work, anything you wouldn't tell a complete stranger.

Don't post the answers to your security questions. For example:

Your bank account security question is, "What high school did you attend?"

If on your Facebook Account you put that you are an alumni of CW Baker, that's easy for an identity thief to put together. It's easier for them to hack your account.

Before you hit send, ask yourself:

- Ø Would I be upset if my Mom or Dad saw this?
- Ø Would I be upset if my employer saw this?
- Ø Would I be upset if my college admissions counselor saw this?
- Ø Would I be upset if the whole school saw this?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you don't hit send, post, or share.

It Might Be a Crime:

The creation, possession, and distribution of child pornography are serious crimes. If convicted, you would be placed on the New York State Sex Offender Registry.

Cyberbullying, malicious, unwanted, or repeated texts may also be crimes. These forms of taunting can lead to long-term consequences for your peers. It's not just a joke!

If you need help:

Please talk to your parent, someone here on staff at C.W. Baker, and any other adult you trust. There are solutions. But no one can help you if you are silent.

