

Spread the Word

Time needed: 40 minute class periods over 2 days

Recommended Level: Grade 5-8

Categories: Awareness, Cyberbullying

Common Core Standard(s): Speaking & Listening

Purpose: Students will understand how easy, fast, and far media/words can be spread once they are on the internet.

DISCUSSION:

Discuss internet privacy and sharing with students. Some questions to consider:

Who can see what you post online?

Why is it important to limit what personal information you share online?

Why is it important to only interact with people you know in "real life" online?

Do you think people behave differently online than they do in real life?

ACTIVITY:

As a class, create a tagline, picture, and title for your room digitally. Make electronic copies for this and give/send one to each student. Tell students to post this to as many websites as they can think of, or that they belong to, and make a list as they go. The next day collect their data and come up with a total number of all places you can now find the classroom advertisement.

FOLLOW-UP:

Discuss online activity with students. Some questions to consider asking:

- Are the words you send on the computer, or the pictures you send, ones you would want your parents to see? Teacher? Principal?
- If our one picture can make it __ places on the web, do you think your words/pictures can go that far?
- Can you erase all of those posts?



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