

Prerequisites:

- None

Lesson Goal

Identity theft and safety on the Internet are concerns for students in high school and as they proceed on to college. This lesson will seek to raise awareness of some of the issues on this topic as well as present suggested safeguards to help protect students from these threats.

What should students learn from the lesson?

- Seven elements of digital citizenship
- Student will learn what identity theft is and different types
- Students will learn about dangers to be aware of on the Internet.
- Students will learn about digital privacy and security safeguards they should practice to protect themselves against identity theft and Internet dangers.
- Students will learn about digital communication and netiquette to have to engage in a safe, online community.

What is the in-class activity?

The PowerPoint will drive the lesson with slides presenting interactive questions reviewing material and proposing thoughtful engagement by students on Internet, privacy, and digital communication. Students will be encouraged to share their own experiences and to engage in discussion and debate of the role in Internet in a safe society. Part of the discussion will include a true story of Internet and technology responsibility and the consequences of not safeguarding one's privacy and devices.

What is the takeaway for students?

- The Internet is a great tool but has its dangers.
- Students need to learn to protect themselves in regard to identity theft.
- Students need to use responsible behaviors when using the Internet that will help protect them especially as they go to college.

Materials Needed:

- PowerPoint
- Projector
- Copy of "A True Story"
- Sound or Speakers for the Video