



# STAYING SAFE ONLINE: A GUIDE FOR STUDENTS

As a student in today's digital age, it's important to be aware of the risks and dangers that come with using the Internet. Cybercrime and cyberbullying are real threats that can harm you and others. This guide aims to provide you with tips and resources to stay safe online and report any incidents of cybercrime or cyberbullying.

## TIPS FOR ONLINE SAFETY:

Keep your personal information private. Don't share your full name, address, phone number, or other sensitive information online.

Use privacy settings on social media and other websites to control who can see your content and information.

Be cautious of online scams and phishing attempts. Don't click on suspicious links or download unknown files.

Be mindful of what you post online. Once something is posted, it can be difficult to remove it from the Internet.

Use strong passwords and keep them safe. Don't reuse passwords or share them with others.

## CYBERCRIME

Cybercrime refers to criminal activities that are committed using the Internet or other forms of digital communication technology. Examples of cybercrime include hacking, identity theft, online fraud, cyberstalking, and spreading malicious software or viruses.

Cybercrime poses a serious threat to individuals, businesses, and governments worldwide, as it can cause financial losses, damage reputations, and even compromise national security. It is important to take steps to protect yourself and your digital assets from cybercrime, such as using strong passwords, keeping your software up-to-date, and being cautious of suspicious emails or websites.

## CYBERBULLYING

Cyberbullying is the use of technology to harass, intimidate, or harm others. It can take many forms, such as sending hurtful messages, spreading rumours, or sharing embarrassing photos or videos. Cyberbullying can be especially harmful because it can happen 24/7 and reach a large audience. It can lead to emotional distress, anxiety, and even suicide in some cases. Remember to always treat others with respect and kindness, both online and offline.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of cybercrime or cyberbullying, it's important to report it. Here are some resources you can use:

Contact your local law enforcement agency

You can call the NCC Toll free line at 622 or report online to [cop@ncc.gov.ng](mailto:cop@ncc.gov.ng)

You can also call Cece Yara Foundation (08008008001/07007007001)

Use social media reporting tools to report cyberbullying on specific platforms.

Talk to a trusted adult, such as a teacher or parent, for support and guidance.

By following these tips and reporting any incidents of cybercrime or cyberbullying, you can help create a safer online environment for yourself and others.

**Stay vigilant! Be mindful of your online activity! Stay safe!**

