



How to be a good digital citizen



What does it mean to be a. good digital citizen?



A digital citizen is defined as a person who regularly uses the internet and embraces all that information technology has to offer.

A good digital citizen is someone who is mindful of their interactions and all that they post and say online.



Why is this important?



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because it ensures:

- Their safety online.

We all have our own superpowers for creating positive change.

Each of us can contribute to creating a more equitable, positive, respectful community, online and offline.

Digital citizenship is important for students

• Promotes respect in digital interactions. • Teaches responsibility in managing personal information and media consumption.

How can you be a good digital citizen?







Think before you post

With social media, it can be easy to share things behind a screen that you might not feel comfortable saying in real life.

While using online platforms, a simple question to ask yourself is 'Would I say this in person?' whether it be in a meeting, attending a class or chatting with a friend.

Avoid posting anything to your personal social media accounts while emotions are high.



Avoid oversharing

While there are a lot of things you may want to post, it's better to be on the side of caution when it comes to sharing personal information.

Information such as your full name, location, financial information make it easy to track you down.

Oversharing specific information about yourself gives the ability for others to steal your identity.



Protect your privacy

Stay on top of your privacy settings to ensure that you're comfortable with what others can see on your social media accounts.

It's suggested that you spend an hour at least every six months to evaluate the privacy settings on each of your social media accounts.



Protect and change your passwords regularly.

Protecting your passwords and frequently updating them makes it harder for hackers to find your information.

This will help to keep your personal and financial details safe from those who wish to take it.

Things to do and look out for

What to look out for is anything that goes against being a good digital citizen:

- posting with something that gives away your school or work.
- Posting something that is inappropriate while in uniform.
- Remembering it can be seen by friends and family.
- Make sure not to write something in the heat of the moment.

Your impact on others

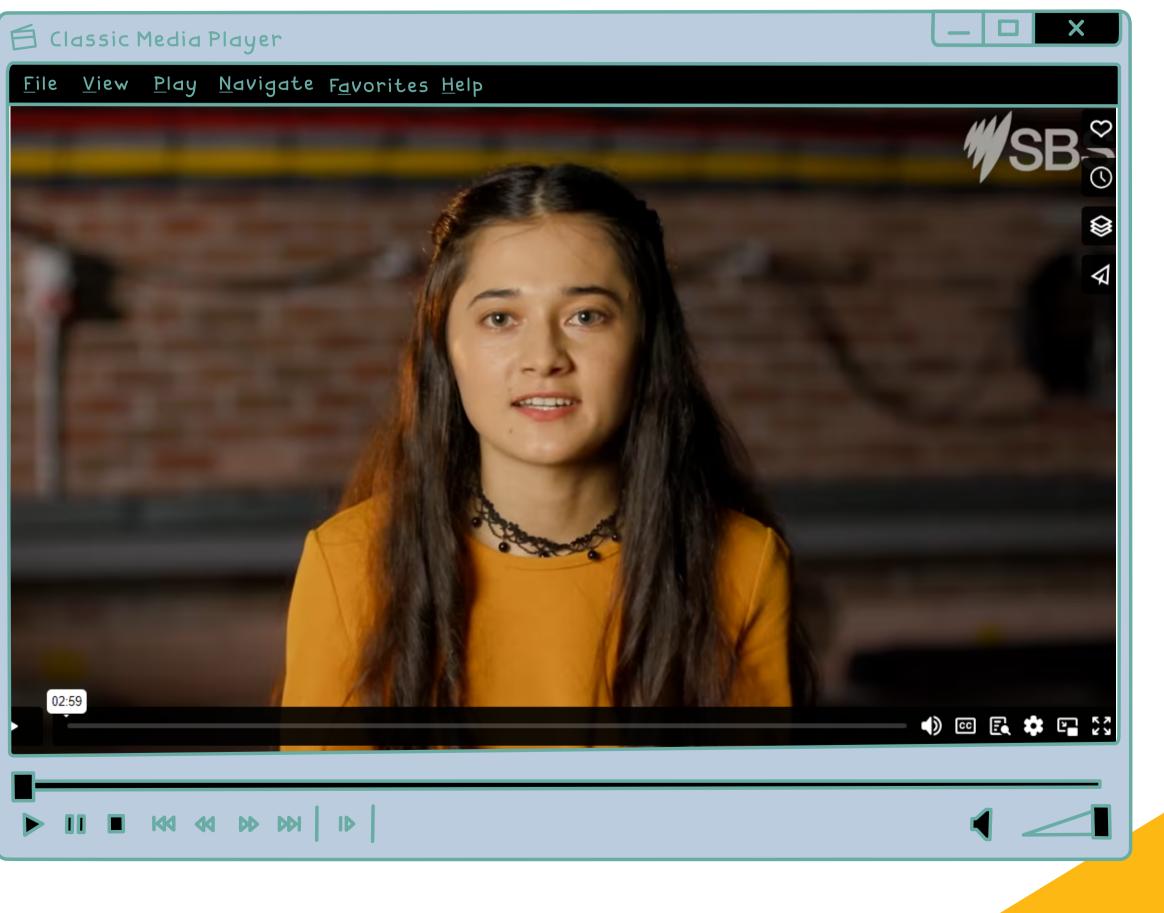
Being a good digital citizen is important, it means you set the standard for others.

You are showing them how they too can be good digital citizens, it means you also become more aware.

All of this gives you the power of change and impact, to not only protect yourself but to help protect others.

Being a good digital citizen leads you to be a good digital leader for others, having them follow your lead to becoming good digital citizens themselves.

What does it <u>mean to be a</u> positive role model?





Any Questions?

