



October 29th 7pm
Protecting Children in a Hyper Digital Age

St. John Fisher School and Queen of Martyrs School have partnered together to invite all parents and community members to a workshop on student cyber safety. The workshop will be held at **St. John Fisher Church on Monday, October 29, 2018 at 7pm**. The church is located at **10200 S. Washtenaw in Chicago, IL**. All parents are invited and **strongly encouraged** to attend.

Did you know that more than 40 percent of kids have been bullied online in the last year, but ***only one of every 10 victims have told their parents?*** Our very own elementary school students have been recently plagued by the effects of misuse of the internet. Our schools have dealt with many issues in recent years and have seen a rise in children being careless online. Although we are vigilant in teaching our students about being responsible digital citizens, there is still the need to educate our children and ourselves, the adults responsible for their safety. By now, most parents are aware of the potential dangers that lurk in parts of the internet, but many **parents are still uncomfortable helping students navigate technology safely.**

The speaker at the presentation will be Liz Repking, founder of Cyber Safety Consulting, a national internet safety organization based in Glen Ellyn. For the majority of her career, Repking worked as a technology consultant. When she attended a conference about law enforcement investigations of cybercrimes, she was struck by the questions parents were asking. She realized many **adults felt intimidated by their student's technology access**. More than anything, it's a parenting issue," Repking said. "Parents need to figure out how to have a conversation where their kids will be comfortable sharing. Kids can't do that unless they feel parents are knowledgeable about the content and that their parents aren't always trying to shut them down." Whether parents are fluent in social media or have never opened up an account, Repking's 90-minute presentation will show parents how to educate themselves. Repking will also share **strategies for how to start good conversations**. She will discuss online dangers, how to safely use popular apps, sexting, gaming concerns, and more.

Repking, a mother of three, said most of her presentation is done through storytelling. ***The presentation is interactive, and at the end of the presentation there will be a question-and-answer session.***

Prior to the parent meeting, Repking will talk with students in Grades 5-8 at SJF and QM. Students will learn about the cultural implications and potential harm that can come from the devices, software, and applications students use in school and at home. To learn more about Repking, go to www.CyberSafetyConsulting.com.



PARENT WORKSHOP: PROTECTING CHILDREN IN A HYPER DIGITAL AGE

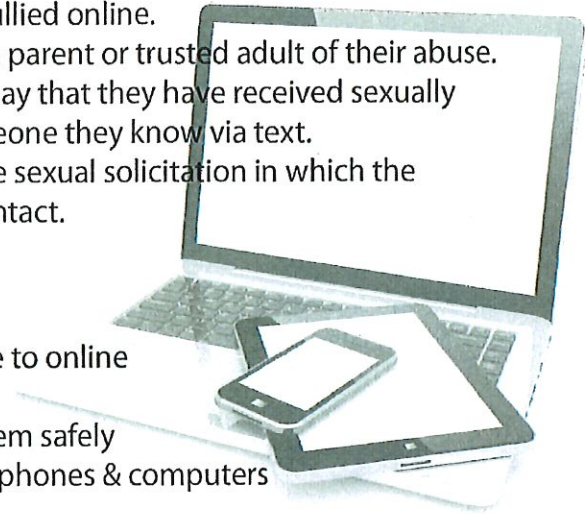
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10200 S. Washtenaw in Chicago, IL

DID YOU KNOW?

- Nearly 43% of kids have been bullied online.
- Only 1 in 10 victims will inform a parent or trusted adult of their abuse.
- 15% of teens using cell phones say that they have received sexually suggestive nude images of someone they know via text.
- 1 in 25 youths received an online sexual solicitation in which the solicitor tried to make offline contact.

Topics Discussed:

- Dangers children are susceptible to online
- Teens and sexting
- Popular apps and how to use them safely
- Safety settings & restrictions for phones & computers
- Cell phone monitoring
- Gaming issues & concerns
- Building healthy technology in the home



Liz Repking

Cyber Safety Consulting Founder & Presenter



Liz is the mother of 3 children, and has spent the majority of her career working as a technology consultant, developing and delivering a variety of training courses for clients.

Four years ago, Liz became acutely aware of the dangers the Internet posed to children like her own and founded Cyber Safety Consulting with the goal to educate parents, children and school educators on both the dangers of the Internet as well as offer tangible solutions for these issues.



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