

Cyberstalking/ SEXTING FACTS

Cyberstalking Definition

Cyberstalking is using electronic communication to engage in a course of conduct directed at a specific person knowing this will cause a reasonable harm or fear of safety.

Sexting Definition

Sending sexually suggestive messages or photos via cell-phone.

Statistics

- 65% of teens have been asked to engage in sexual acts via e-mail/texts/cell phones that they didn't want to engage in.
- 38% of teen girls and 30% of teen boys say they have had sexually suggestive messages shared with them, although they were intended for someone else.
- 25% of teen girls and 33% of teen boys have had nude or semi-nude photos shared with them, although they were intended for someone else.
- 42% of kids have been bullied while online. 1 in 4 have been bullied online more than once.
- 58% of youth have not told their parents or an adult about something mean or hurtful that happened to them online.
- 30% of teens have had a partner use texts to check on them more than 10 times a day.

Source: Stats and Facts section - www.icasa.org

Help is Available

Rape crisis centers are available 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week, 365-days-a-year. All services are free and confidential. Call the rape crisis center hotline anytime for help.

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