“Technology and Social Networking”
Objectives

1. Describe technology that youth are using for social networking.
2. Recognize benefits and dangers of technology.
3. Share strategies to keep youth safe in cyberspace.
4. Identify strategies for using technology.
Objective 1

Describe technology that youth are using for social networking.
What is this about?!
Online Social Networking

• Online social networking started with chat rooms and instant messaging in the 1990s.
• MySpace started in 2003; Facebook began in 2004 (on the Harvard campus).
• Networking later expanded to blogging and photo sharing.
• Many sites integrate several of these aspects into one profile.
Mary Day

Wall  Info  Photos  Boxes

Write  Share Link  Post Photo  Record Video  Give Gift

Today

Mary is now friends with Allison Good. 7:12am - Comment

Yesterday

Mary is now friends with Julie Ricciard. 11:42pm - Comment

Kim Frazier wrote at 10:42pm
So did Grant get a Spooky book for his bday? I must find the Spooky movie. It is way to cute with such a good message. The free CD is not that though. Thanks for the info!
Wall-to-Wall - Write on Kim's Wall

Mary wrote on Kim Frazier's wall. 10:36pm

Kim Frazier wrote at 8:00pm
Grant is a doll! Looks like everyone had a good bday weekend!
Wall-to-Wall - Write on Kim's Wall

Mary wrote on Stacy Kenaga Lastinger's wall. 9:12am

Stacy Kenaga Lastinger wrote at 9:06am
Thanks! I'm pretty happy with how they turned out. There are TONS of pictures...I was very shutter happy. :) Hopefully I won't take forever to process the best ones and get them to you. :)
I just LOVE that pic of grammal!! :D I literally RAN to get my camera when I saw her.
Wall-to-Wall

From the album: Grant Day is 1!
By Stacy Kenaga Lastinger
Brian

Male
27 years old
Tipton, Indiana
United States

Last Login:
10/21/2008

View My: Pics | Videos

Contacting Brian
- Send Message
- Add to Friends
- IM / Call
- Add to Group

Forward to Friend
Add to Favorites
Block User
Rank User

Brian is in your extended network

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Brian’s Blurbs
About me:
Likes- my friends; waking up before 8 am; having people at my house; avocados; high-quality phone conversations; summer; cow shows; ironing; Micah’s glasses that he doesn’t really need; running; my new Smokey and the Bandit t-shirt; too-big burritos from Chipotle; tea; hearing old songs on the radio; cereal; proper grammar; defending country music. Dislikes- Being idle; waking up much before 7 am; running out of milk; extreme personalities; thinking about things I don’t like.

Advanced Global Personality Test Results

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- Romantic
- Avoidant
- Anti-authority
- Wealth
- Change averse
- Caution
- Individuality
- Sexuality
- Peter pan
- Complex
- Physical security
- Physical fitness
- Histrionic
Text Messaging

- Became popular with teens as they started having their own cell phones
- Consists of short messages sent between two or more senders
- Have an additional cost, but packages can be added to cell phone plans
How fast can you text?

• “What are you up to?”
• “Practice is running late, please bring some food.”
• “When and where is the 4-H meeting?”
• “I don’t care, just let me know.”
• “That’s funny!”
What do these mean?

- IDK
- ROTFL
- JLMK
- ;-)
- L8r
- JK
Blogging and Photo Sharing

• Blogs are similar to online journals.
• Blogs are sometimes specific, sometimes random.
• Xanga, Blogspot, and Twitter are examples.
• Photo sharing allows you to create a profile and post picture albums.
• Photobucket and Flickr are examples of photo sharing.
Who uses this?

In a recent informal Ohio State study:

• 90% of students surveyed had Facebook
• 55% had MySpace
• 18% had Xanga
• 10% used another similar Web site
• Over 75% check their profiles at least daily; over 50% check several times a day
How it’s used

• 68% had private profiles, 28% didn’t, and 4% weren’t sure
• 24% have added friends they have never met
• Over 60% admitted that they or a friend had posted something they would not want a parent, teacher, or future employer to see
• Most popular topics included friends, clubs/activities, and “extra-curricular activities”
Objective 2

Recognize benefits and dangers of technology.
What are the benefits of these sites?

- Help youth find their personal identity
- Create a sense of independence
- Communicate with friends
- Gain a sense of belonging to a group
What are the benefits of these sites?

- Develop critical thinking and argumentation skills
- Find support from online peer groups
- Get help with homework
- Ask questions about sensitive issues they might be afraid to ask face-to-face
- Learn or gain new perspectives
What are the dangers of these sites?

• Predators
  – Burglars
  – Identity Thieves
  – Sexual Predators
• Cyber-bullying
• Undesired Attention
Objective 3

Share strategies to keep youth safe in cyberspace.
Keeping Kids Safe in cyberspace

• Use the built-in Privacy Settings
  – First Line of Defense
• Only add friends that you already know
• That cute 14 yr old boy … May not be 14 … cute … or a boy …
Keeping Kids Safe in Cyberspace

- Think before you post
  - Don’t say anything online that you wouldn’t say face-to-face.
  - If you put something out there, it’s out there for good!
- Several innocent pieces of information could lead strangers to your doorstep when they are sure you aren’t home … or worse … when they are sure you are!
Now, imagine if you post your status as:

• “Headed to Disney World for an awesome spring break vacation!”
To steal your identity, only three pieces of information are needed:

– Your full, legal name
– Your birth date
– Your Social Security Number

• Facebook can easily give someone two of these three pieces of information.
• Think about the repercussions of what you post not only today, but tomorrow.
• Who might be looking at your page?
  – A potential employer?
  – A college admissions office?
  – Your boyfriend or girlfriend’s parents?
• The prosecuting attorney or judge?
Most importantly:

• Never meet in person anyone you met online!
Objective 4

Identify strategies for using technology.
How can we use this in 4-H?

- Create profiles or groups for the club.
- Keep members up-to-date in a blog.
- Text members if there is a change in the meeting.
- Share photos of events or meetings with members and families.
Tipton County 4-H Junior Leaders

Basic Info
Type: Organizations - Clubs & Societies
Description: For all Tipton County 4-H Junior Leaders. We will use this space to share ideas, give suggestions, send meeting reminders, ask and answer questions, and communicate between meetings.

Contact Info
Email: howellbm@purdue.edu
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Location: Tipton, IN

Recent News
Next meeting: Tuesday, October 7, 6 pm in the Extension Education Center.

Members
Displaying 1 of 7 members
See All

Discussion Board
There are no discussions. Start the first topic.

The Wall
Displaying the only wall post
See All

Group Type
This is a closed group. Members must be invited or approved by an admin.

Admins
- Brian Howell (creator)

Events
There are no events. Create Events.

Related Groups
The Largest Facebook Group Ever
Just for Fun - Facebook Classics
1 Million Strong for our Troops
Common Interest - Current Events
How to get GAS back down to $1.30 per gallon
Common Interest - Debates & Causes
IN A CHRISTIAN, AND I'M PROUD TO SAY IT!
Allen County Fair

Come out and see us at the Fair!!

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Allen County Fair’s Blurb

Welcome to the official MySpace Profile of the Allen County Fair! The 236th Allen County Fair is on August 15th through the 22nd.

The Junior Fairboard would like to welcome our 10 newest members to the Board...

Check out our video posts at www.limaohio.com

OSU Extension office... 3500 Campus Drive, Suite B Lima, OH 45804-3594 Phone: 419.228.5641 Fax: 419.228.3641 Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Allen County Fair Office... 2750 Harding Highway Lima, Ohio 45804-3434 Phone: 419.228.7141 FAX: 419.221.2746

If anyone needs information about anything with the Allen County Fair, send me an E-Mail at fair@allencountyfair.org

Anyone who has anything to do with the Allen County Fair please add ME!!! If you have MYSPACE or a friend does tell them to add ME and then have all of their friends add ME too because we need lots of friends on this space.

Since 1851, the Allen County Fair has been the premier showcase for Agriculture in West Central Ohio. As a result of holding such a great responsibility to the community, the Allen County Fair Board has always centered their purpose and needs on the values of education, agriculture, youth, and families. The Fair’s long standing history within the community has built a reputation as an enjoyable source of family entertainment and learning. Not only is the Fair an excellent means for bringing the family together, it also lends a way for community members to showcase various products and ideas in a supportive and rewarding atmosphere.

Myspace URL:
http://www.myspace.com/allencountyfair4
Discussion and Questions

• Are you aware of what is on your child’s online profile?
• Do you know what information can be posted on a profile?
• Are you familiar with the privacy settings?
Conclusion & Quiz
Sources

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