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19 Apps Every Parent Should Know



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LIVE.ME is a live-streaming video app that uses geolocation to share videos so users can find out a broadcaster's exact location. Users can earn "coins" as a way to "pay" minors for photos.



CALCULATOR% is only one of several secret apps used to hide photos, videos, files, and browser history.



HOLLA is a self-proclaimed "addicting" video chat app that allows users to meet people all over the world in just seconds. Reviewers say they have been confronted with racial slurs, explicit content, and more.



DISCORD is an app that allows users to talk to friends and strangers in real-time via voice, text, or video chat while playing video games. Reviewers say they have been confronted with racial slurs, explicit content, and more.



ROBLOX is an online gaming platform with a chat function. Underage users have had issues with solicitation from sexual predators.



ASK.FM is known for cyber bullying. The app encourages users to allow anonymous people to ask them questions.



WHATSAPP is a popular messaging app that allows users to send texts, photos, voicemail, make calls, and video chats worldwide. WhatsApp uses an internet connection on smartphones and computers.



KIK allows anyone to contact and direct message your child. Kids can bypass traditional text messaging features. Kik gives users unlimited access to anyone, anywhere, anytime.



WHISPER is an anonymous social network that promotes sharing secrets with strangers. It also reveals a user's location so people can meet up.



BUMBLE is similar to the popular dating app "tinder" however, it requires women to make the first contact. Kids have been known to use bumble to create fake accounts and falsify their age.



BADOO is a dating and social networking app where users can chat, share photos, and videos and connect based on location. While the app is intended for adults only, teens are known to create profiles.



GRINDR is a dating app geared towards LGBTQ+ people. The app gives users options to chat, share photos, and meet up based on a smart phone's GPS location.



SKOUT is a location-based dating app and website. While users under 17 years old are unable to share private photos, kids can easily create an account using a different age.



SNAPCHAT messages and pics are usually only available for a short period of time before disappearing, but the "stories" feature allows users to view content for 24 hours. Snapchat has a "my eyes only" password protected area where users can store photos.



HOT OR NOT encourages users to rate your profile, check out people in their area, and chat with strangers. The goal of this app is to hook up.



HUSH is an anonymous app that allows users to express themselves freely without fear of judgment or exposure. Hush has a group feature that allows users to connect with people who have similar interests. The app utilizes precise geolocation capabilities to connect users to people within their vicinity and all over the world.



MEETME is a dating social media app that allows users to connect with people based on geographic proximity. As the app's name suggests, users are encouraged to meet each other in person.



TIKTOK is a mobile device app popular with kids used for creating and sharing short videos. With very limited privacy controls, users are very vulnerable to cyber bullying and explicit content.



INSTAGRAM is an app that shares photos, videos, and contains a messaging platform. Any app with messaging capabilities or the ability to share publicly is dangerous to children specifically. Children unintentionally share locations, school information, routines, provided from items in the background of photographs. Instagrams Explore page may show adult material, dangerous challenges, or content which will affect a child's mental health.

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GUIDING PRINCIPLES

MISSION STATEMENT

“Serve with Excellence”

VISION STATEMENT

“A trusted team of professionals ensuring St. Johns County is the safest place in the nation for families to live, work, and visit through collaboration, excellence, and leadership.”

AGENCY MOTTO

“One team, One mission, One future”



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