Digital Citizenship Plan | 2026-2027

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Digital citizenship is about using technology and participating in digital environments. It is key to helping our students learn to use available technology responsibly in the classroom and beyond. This Digital Citizenship Plan addresses how we work to build a community where we live and work together as digital citizens.

Relevant contextual information about our school and School Development Plan:

- Kindergarten to Grade Five school with a diverse population of approximately 460 students.
- Increasing number of students with complex learning needs and students learning English as an Additional Language.
- We have Chromebooks and iPads on carts that teachers can sign out to work on with their class. There are Smart Boards in all classrooms and other learning spaces.
- Our School Development Plan focuses on increasing achievement in numeracy and well-being through the intentional design of the learning environment.
- School focus on learning on the land and Indigenous ways of knowing to deepen student inquiry, understanding and stewardship. School Development Outcomes:

Relevant evidence and data that informs our Digital Citizenship Plan:

- Parents have indicated that they are looking for resources to support balance in technology within their homes. Students report that they have difficulties in making sure they don't have to much screen time (41%).
- Students expressed that their biggest need is learning how to be safe online and how to protect their personal information.
- Many of our students utilize technology at home and report they are being exposed to new digital tools for learning at school. They report a high perception of having access to technology (90%) to meet their learning needs and some are learning new ways to use technology (54%).
- There is some need to understand what Digital Citizenship means with 57% of students reporting they know what this is.

Long Term Goal	Competency	Short Term Goals	Outcomes	Activities & Resources	Measures
Long term goal #1 Students will understand the importance of protecting personal information online and apply appropriate strategies.	**Safe:** I know how to protect my personal information online.	Short term goal #1 Students will understand the characteristics of a strong password and why it is important to have one.	Students will create an age-appropriate unique password to access CBE network/technology.	• Review resources on Digital Citizenship Insite Pages Targeted lessons on creating strong passwords. ▪ Password Best Practices Flatsheet ▪ Creating a Good Password | DigitalSmarts	All students in the school will have a unique, secure password to access CBE network/technology.
		Short term goal #2 Students will understand the importance of keeping their passwords secure and private.	Students will keep their passwords private and keep password hints in a secure location.	• Keeping Online Accounts Safe | Common Sense Education • Protecting Our Online Accounts | Common Sense Education	All students will keep their passwords private and know how to reset their passwords, as needed.
		Short term goal #3 Students will understand aspects of staying safe online.	Students will understand how to stay safe online.	• Youth Link Cyber Safety Presentation (G4 &5) ▪ Safety in My Online Neighborhood (Updated) | Common Sense Education ▪ Level Up: Gaming Safely Online | Common Sense Education ▪ Internet Traffic Light: Staying Safe on Websites and Apps | Common Sense Education ▪ Ignition: Digital Wellness and Safety - Everfi	Increase in the number of students who know how to safe online.

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				▪ Get Cyber Safe	
Long term goal #2 Students will develop healthy, balanced technology habits at school and at home that support their emotional and physical well-being.	**Balanced:** I balance time online and offline to promote positive mental, emotional and physical well-being I understand appropriate times and situations to use technology.	Short term goal #1 Student will understand the importance of having balance in their technology use.	Students will be able to share why it is important to have balance in their technology use.	Online webinars/information for parents and teachers • Growing Up online toolkit • My Health Alberta - Growing-Up-Online • Online Webinars for Families & Teachers • Digital Well-being for Families • Building Digital Balance with Kids • Raising Digitally Resilent Kids • Media Use and Wellbeing | MediaSmarts	Increase in the number of students who understand the importance of balance in their online use.
		Short term goal #2 Students will be able to identify ways to balance their online and offline times.	Students will be able to share ways that they balance their use of technology at home and at school.	▪ Canadian 24-Hour Movement Guidelines for Children and Youth ▪ EVERFI Ignition: Digital Wellness and Safety, Lesson 3 Screen Time vs. Offline Time	Increase in the amount of time that students are spending outdoors or engaged in activities that do not involve online technology.

Next Steps and Focuses for the Coming School Year

- Exploring what digital citizenship is more fully.