

The Online Safety Pride Guide

Happy Pride! The online world is a fantastic place for the LGBTQ+ community and its allies to connect, learn and share with one another. But, bad actors or lack of protections on the Internet can also make members of the community feel uncomfortable or unsafe. The following resources can help the LGBTQ+ community and its allies accentuate the rewards of online life while mitigating the harms.

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For LGBTQ+ Young Adults:



Stay Safe, Feel Seen, Find Community



Online Safety for LGBTQ+ Young People

The Trevor Project

This guide is dedicated to helping LGBTQ+ people navigate the online world. Tips include seeking supportive communities and avoiding romance scams.



We Keep Us Safe: LGBTQ Digital Safety Guide

GLAAD

This quick guide provides LGBTQ+ people with tips to keep themselves safe online, including a platform-by-platform breakdown of how to report hate speech.



Give us the Floor

This app provides LGBTQ+ young people ages 13-19 with a safe space to talk to one another, explore their identities, and advise each other through tough times –like bullying incidents or family struggles.



How to Stay Safe Online: A Guide Against LGBTQ+ Cyberbullying

VPNMentor

This resource is based on survey results from 600+ LGBTQ+ people all over the world. It breaks down how cyberbullying affects the LGBTQ+ community, where it exists, and how LGBTQ+ can take steps to protect their privacy and personal information.

For Families & Allies:



Create Safe, Affirming Digital Spaces

Tips for Parents and Family Members of LGBTQ+ Youth

Family Online Safety Institute

This blog lists six different ways parents and caregivers can support LGBTQ+ young people as they navigate their identity safely both online and off.

Help LGBTQ+ kids socialize safely online

Internet Matters

This page lays out the benefits and drawbacks of online life for LGBTQ+ young people. It also points out ways parents can support their children in their digital journey.

“Without It, I Wouldn’t Be Here Today”: LGBTQ+ Young People’s Experiences in Online Spaces

Born This Way Foundation

This research exemplifies how much LGBTQ+ young people value the Internet and use it as a place to connect, to enhance their wellbeing, and for social support. It also highlights the concerns the LGBTQ+ community have when it comes to the Internet - such as avoiding platforms that do not prioritize LGBTQ+ safety.

Online Harassment Field Manual

PEN America

This guide helps people experiencing or witnessing online abuse, especially those from the LGBTQ+ community. The interactive layout makes it easy to navigate based on the specific situation and concern.