



# HIGH SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY

## CONVERSATION GUIDE **FOR SGLS**

**YOU'VE NOW ENTERED THE WORLD OF FULL-FLEDGED SOCIAL MEDIA.** By this time almost everyone in your group will be on some social media platform. This is your chance to refine how your group sees social media before they completely leave parental control. You'll get to interact with them in new ways and have a lot more opportunities outside of group time to connect. We want to help by giving you some words to say and not to say.

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### WHAT **TO** SAY

- "What social media accounts are you using these days?"
  - "Do you keep your location services open on your phone? Are you taking any precautions to prevent any dangerous situations?"
  - "Do you know that some colleges are now looking into applicants' social media platforms when reviewing applications or considering athletic scholarships?"
  - "What are some things you think you should post so college recruiters see the best of you?"
  - "If someone looked at everything you post online and tweet—what would they learn about who you are?"
  - "I know it's tempting to use your phone while driving. I'm tempted to do it too. Can I ask you to help keep me in check to not use my phone while driving? And, of course I'll do the same for you."
  - "What's your name on Instagram/Twitter/Snapchat, etc.? We should follow each other. Let's make a small group hashtag just for our group."
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### WHAT **NOT** TO SAY

- Nothing. The tendency at this phase is to disconnect and not say anything. Keep the conversation going.
  - Anything that assumes the worst. It's great to ask questions and be informed, but it's not okay to make assumptions about what they're doing.
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**Your few are using social media more now than any other phase. The conversations you have today will help prepare them to make wise choices concerning technology for the rest of their lives. Stay informed. Stay involved. And keep the conversation going.**

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