6 WAYS TO STAY SAFE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

1. Only establish and maintain connections with people you know, trust, and can validate. Review your connections often. Confirm that the “Friend” you accept is truly the person they say they are and not an imposter.

2. Assume that ANYONE can see ANY information you post and share: photos, activities, beliefs, personal life, or professional life.

3. Avoid posting or tagging images of you or your family that clearly show your face. Select pictures taken at a distance, at an angle, or otherwise concealed. Don’t use your face as a profile photo; instead, use cartoons or avatars.

4. Ensure that your family takes similar precautions with their accounts; their privacy and sharing settings can expose your personal data.

5. Add extra security to your account every time you log in by applying two-factor authentication.

6. Do not login to or link third-party sites (e.g., Twitter, Bing) using your Facebook account. ‘Facebook Connect’ shares your information, and your friends’ information, with third party sites that may aggregate and misuse personal information.