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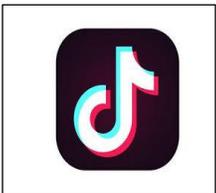
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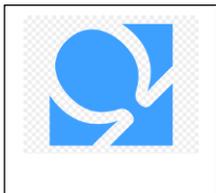
## Factsheet for Virginia's Parents 15 Apps Parents Should Know About



**SNAPCHAT** is a photo & video sharing app that promises users their photo or video will disappear even though it doesn't. Snapchat stores allow users to view content for up to 24 hours and share their location.



**TIK TOK** is an app popular with kids used for creating and sharing short videos. With very limited privacy controls, users are vulnerable to cyberbullying and explicit content.



**OMEGLE** is an app with the slogan: "Talk to Strangers!" It allows users to socialize with others without the need to register. The service randomly pairs users in one-on-one chat sessions where they chat anonymously using the names "You" and "Stranger"



**WHISPER** is a form of anonymous social media, allowing users to post and share photo and video messages anonymously with strangers. It also reveals a user's location so people can meet up.



**ASK.FM** allows anyone to post anonymous comments and questions to a person's profile and is increasingly being used as a means to communicate abusive, bullying, and sexualized content.

Social Media apps **EVERY** parent needs to know.

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Do you children currently have these apps on their phone?



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**MEETME** is a dating social media app that allows users to connect with people based on geographic proximity. The app encourages users to meet each other in person.



**YOUTUBE KIDS** is an alternative to YouTube with kid-targeted videos arrived at preschoolers to tweens. The app has some controversy with some inappropriate ads squeezing their way in but is better at parental control than regular YouTube.



**WHATSAPP** is a popular messaging app for users to send texts, photos, make calls and video chats and voicemail. It does not require cell service & uses an internet connection on phones &



**KIK MESSANGER** is an app used for communicating with friends in group chats or direct messages. But also allows you to chat with strangers by accessing public chats to talk about.



**CALCULATOR%** is one of several “vault” style or secret apps that appears to be a harmless app, but is used to hide photos, videos, files, and browser history.



**LIVEME** is a tool for broadcasting livestreaming videos and watching others' videos. Terms of use specify that users be at least 18 or have parental permission, but young teens are often found



**DISCORD** is a voice and text chat tool that allows gamers to communicate in real time while playing video games. It discusses adult content but allows users as young as 13.



**YUBO (formerly YELLOW)** is often called “Tinder for teens” because users swipe right or left to accept or reject the profiles of other users. If two people swipe right on each other, they can chat and hook up via Snapchat or Instagram.



**TUMBLR** is a blogging app & website allowing users as young as 13 to create an account. A range of inappropriate content such as drug use, offensive language and pornography are easy to find.



**AUDIO MANAGER** is another app designed as a “vault” style or secret app. It has nothing to do with managing music and is designed to hide messages, photos, videos, or other apps.

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