

# Actua's Cyber Smart Framework

	Engage	Empower	Connect
<b>Big Ideas</b>	Equipping youth with tools (knowledge) to build cyber safety is fundamental to fostering responsible use of technology.	Practicing skills, applying and translating knowledge into action and/or creation builds a cyber smart generation.	A cybersmart mindset relies on positive communities and healthy relationship building both online and offline, and builds leadership for continuous learning, critical thinking, and identifying supports for continued safety online.
<b>Themes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cyber security</li> <li>• Online identity (e.g., credential stuffing)</li> <li>• Data and online information</li> <li>• Privacy, virtual private network (VPN)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data connections to artificial intelligence (AI)</li> <li>• Credibility, bias and misinformation</li> <li>• Intent of online interactions, protection and harm reduction</li> <li>• Open source intelligence gathering</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-Expression</li> <li>• Social behaviour &amp; healthy relationships</li> <li>• Interactivity/Network-Oriented Platforms</li> <li>• Community building, global connectivity</li> </ul>
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>(Students will...)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand digital literacy and demonstrate personal responsibility for consuming technology.</li> <li>• Articulate benefits to understanding, using, and creating with technology.</li> <li>• Identify risks when navigating online and/or connected contexts (e.g., IoT), and appropriate actions to mitigate risks.</li> <li>• Build fundamental understanding of digital environments so that youth are informed users of tools, not manipulated by the tool and a lack of insight into the tech and/or data that drives them.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practice cyber safe behaviour through various proactive behaviour (e.g., creating strong passwords, avoiding release of personal information/breaches, etc.)</li> <li>• Identify biased data sources and identify reliable sources of online information.</li> <li>• Articulate intent of individuals and groups online.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop a healthy sense of identity, both online and offline.</li> <li>• Understand appropriate interactions with others online, including preventing cyber bullying and avoiding harm. Leverage technology to build positive social networks.</li> <li>• Promote safe behaviour online, including protecting personal information, positive social interactions, and appropriate connections with strangers</li> <li>• Know rights, and identify who/where to turn to for help in cases of compromised safety.</li> </ul>
<b>Curriculum Connections</b>  Synthesized from the Pan-Canadian K-12 CS Education Framework	<p><b>Cybersecurity:</b> Defining cybersecurity; making safe passwords using effective criteria; Describing common cyber attacks and malicious content and assessing; Applying prevention practices.</p> <p><b>Data (Data Governance):</b> Understanding how digital data is created through digital and physical activity and thinking about who owns the data they produce; Thinking about and using privacy settings in online platforms.</p> <p><b>Technology and Society (Ethics, Safety &amp; The Law):</b> Identifying strategies to protect their personal data and identity online; Explaining privacy concerns; Assessing the effects of digital crime on self and society.</p>		