

Help Tips for Reporting Offensive Profiles To Social Networking Sites

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MySpace:

1. MySpace provides a link in their help center to report offensive profiles. You can also enter this url to get to the help page that has a link to report harassment or threats:

www.myspace.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=misc.faq&Category=6&Question=6

2. Educators can report an “imposter profile” that targets them on MySpace. This is also under the help center and frequently asked questions. The link for educators to report fake profiles targeting faculty members is:

www.myspace.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=misc.faq&Category=6&Question=39

3. Parents can request that their child’s profile be removed. The link to make that request is on the parent safety tips page. Here is the url: www.myspace.com/Modules/Common/Pages/SafetyTips.aspx#

4. Anyone can report inappropriate content. This information is also on the help page. The link is:

www.myspace.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=misc.faq&Category=3&Question=27

Facebook:

1. Abuse can be reported by e-mailing Facebook directly at privacy@facebook.com. There is also a link provided under the security page of Facebook. The security page link is: www.facebook.com/help.php#cat25
Scroll down to the security section and click on the link to report abuse.
2. If someone is harassing/libeling you, Facebook gives the following recommendations:
“We suggest that you block the person by listing his or her name in the “Blocking People” box at the bottom of the My Privacy page. If this does not resolve the problem, please write an email to info@facebook.com from your login email address. We will need to know your name, login email address, and school. Also, please provide the name and school of the person who is harassing you along with a description of the situation.”
3. Use the e-mail info@facebook.com to report any other information that you think should not be posted.

Xanga

1. Schools and parents can contact Xanga for help at the following url:

<http://help.xanga.com/contact/parentcontact.htm>

2. Xanga also provides a link to wired safety’s cyber abuse hotline for severe cases of cyber bullying or other abuses such as cyberstalking, identity theft and child exploitation. The link to wired safety’s cyberabuse hotline is:

<http://www.wiredsafety.org/911/index.html>

Youtube

The guidelines for uploading appropriate videos are posted on Youtube’s community guidelines. Here is the link:

http://youtube.com/t/community_guidelines

Anyone can flag a video as inappropriate. If Youtube reviews the video and finds it to be inappropriate, the video is shut down. If they decide to terminate the user’s account the user is prohibited from ever having another account on Youtube.