



# April is Child Abuse Prevention Month



## Responsible Texting

### The Institute for Responsible Online and Cell Phone Communication's (IROC2)

[www.iroc2.org](http://www.iroc2.org)

#### **'Introducing digital responsibility to a digital generation'**

*Dedicated to proactively communicating a vital and uniform message to all members of the global digital community on the importance of 21st Century digital safety, responsibility, and awareness (Responsibility 2.1C™) and desires to construct a global digital community free of negative and sometimes irreversible consequences resulting from poor digital judgment. The Institute strives to achieve this goal via our "Live Event" by demonstrating that all digital actions are Public and Permanent!*

[www.sextingisstupid.com/index.html](http://www.sextingisstupid.com/index.html)

*What we **must** do is wake up and realize that we are all now part of a rapidly evolving 21st century digital generation, and we are each responsible for our own actions when using digital technologies. Think about it, practically everyone on our planet has grown up learning what we call responsibility 1.0 or offline responsibility, and even with all of the information available to us about sexting and other digital issues, many of us still do not understand the scope of the repercussions when we invoke poor (digital) judgment. This is because we have not been proactively taught digital responsibility or what we call, Responsibility 2.1C.*

### The National Campaign

<http://thenationalcampaign.org/resource/sex-and-tech>

*Sex and Tech: Results from a Survey of Teens and Young Adults (2009) - The gray boxes on pages 2 & 4 are particularly helpful to texters and parents.*

### MTV.com

- Sexting in America: When Privates Go Public (2010)

*A very real portrayal of the possible consequences of sexting.*

**NOTE: This program is in 4 parts and is explicit, so please, *parents watch it and decide if you want to have your kids watch it with you or you can use the information you get from it to talk to your kids.***

<http://www.mtv.com/videos/news/483801/sexting-in-america-when-privates-go-public-part-1.jhtml>

<http://www.mtv.com/videos/news/483802/sexting-in-america-when-privates-go-public-part-2.jhtml>

<http://www.mtv.com/videos/news/483803/sexting-in-america-when-privates-go-public-part-3.jhtml>

<http://www.mtv.com/videos/news/483804/sexting-in-america-when-privates-go-public-part-4.jhtml>

- A Thin Line

<http://www.athinline.org/>

*MTV's A Thin Line campaign was developed to empower teens and young adults to identify, respond to, and stop the spread of digital abuse in their life and amongst their peers. The campaign is built on the understanding that there's a "thin line" between what may begin as a harmless joke and something that could end up having a serious impact on their lives.*